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# Alma Mater

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Words and music by the Rederend Richard J. Loeper - Class of '42

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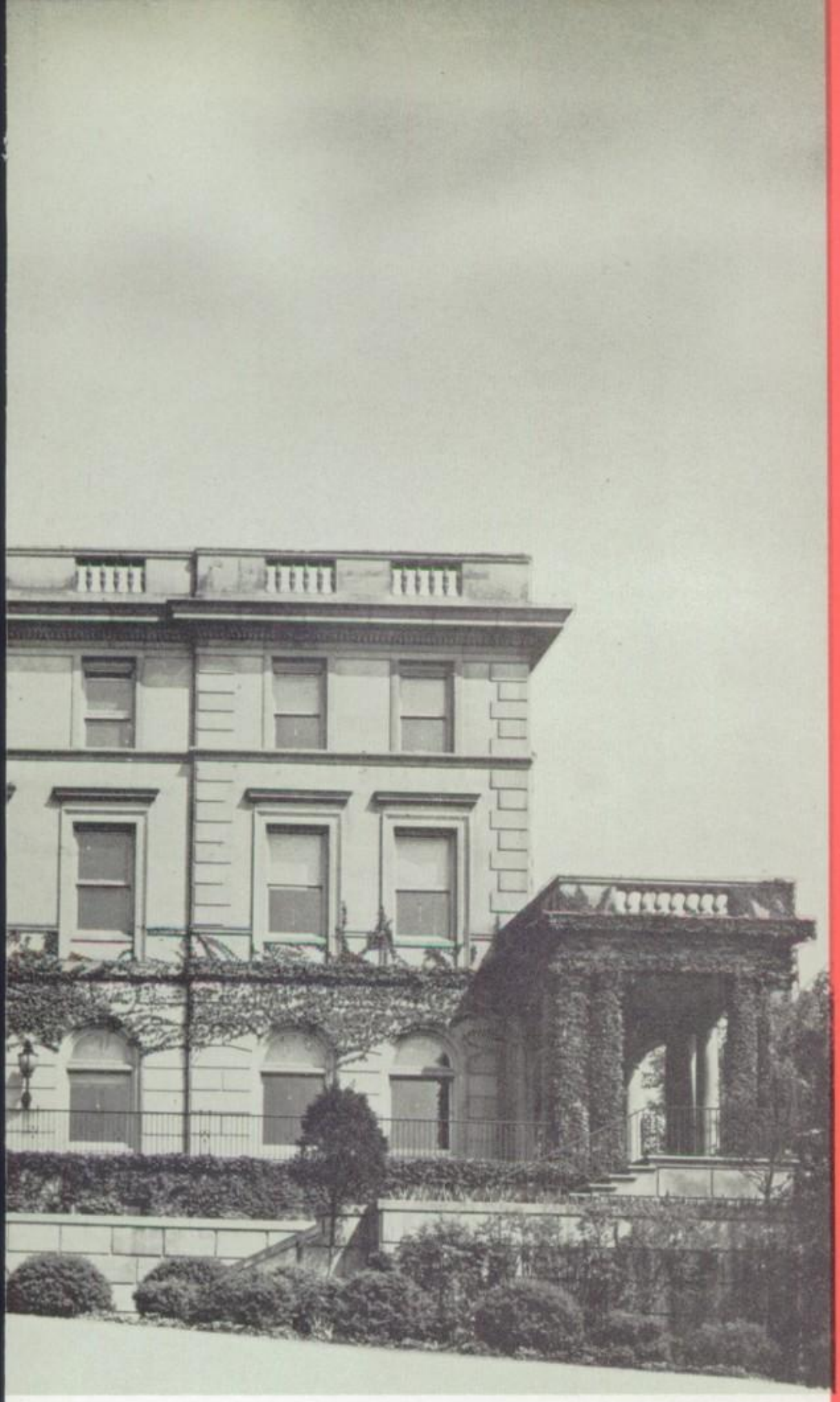
Bass, tenor, soprano—all registers blend in an enthusiastic salute to a life vigorous, healthy, and enriching. Here is a microcosm bounded by solid, granite walls materially, and impregnable truths spiritually. The full-throated chorus echoes the swing of present days and prologues rhythms of future years.

With each rising note Centralites form a solid barrier against the drifting fog of scholastic apathy and the quicksands of social codes which draw the ideals of Catholic youth into a bottomless pit. Our school song forms a bridge over yawning chasms of failure and instability. Hear its pulse beat sending vital streams of courage and enthusiasm through the student body.

The tempo of mature living may bring changing patterns in the song of years, but the surge of nostalgic memory will shift the beat back to "We Love Thee, Alma Mater." Step forth bravely to its strains, Class of 1955, on a march to a radiant future.



# ALMA MATER

*We Love Thee*

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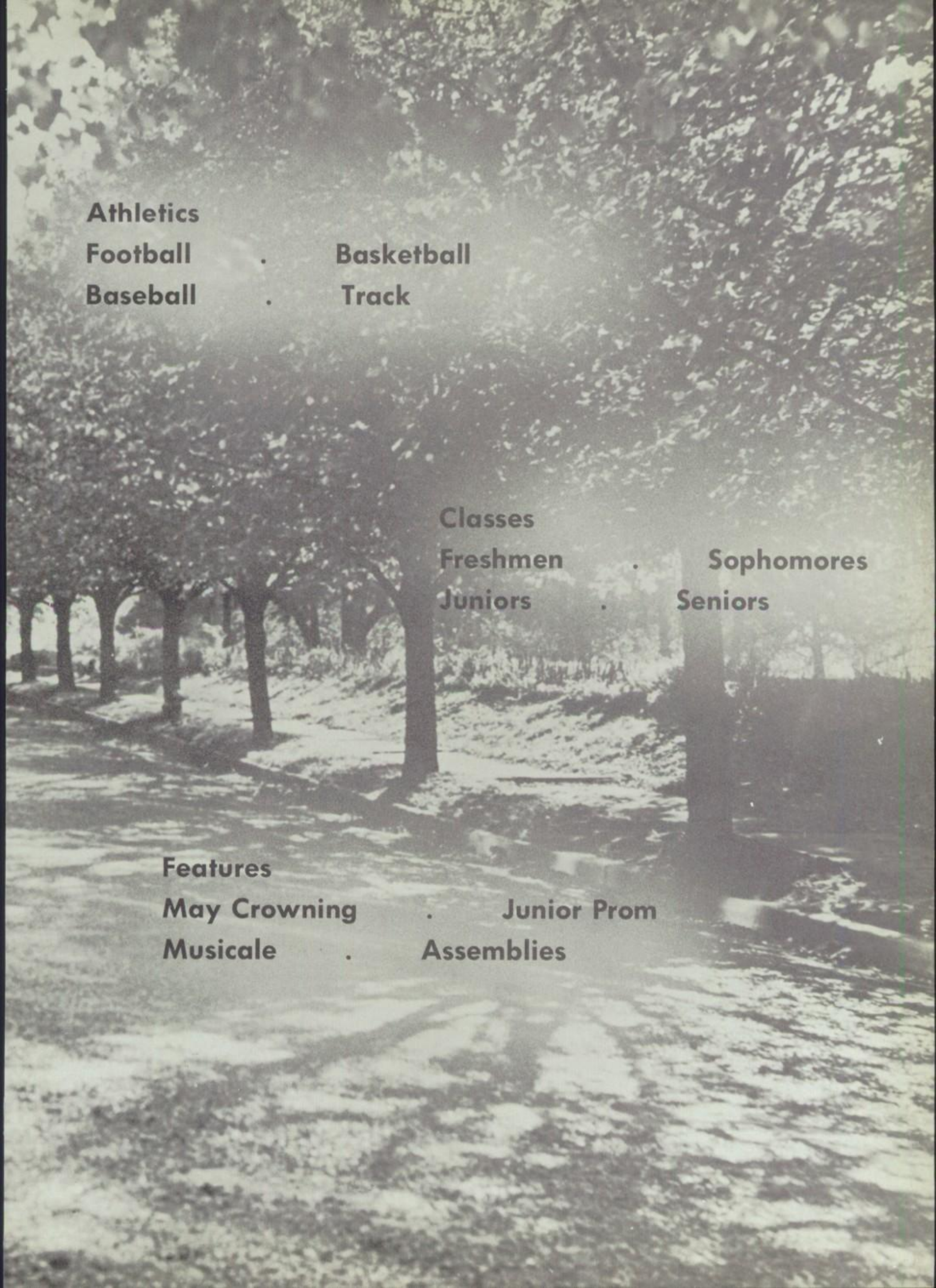

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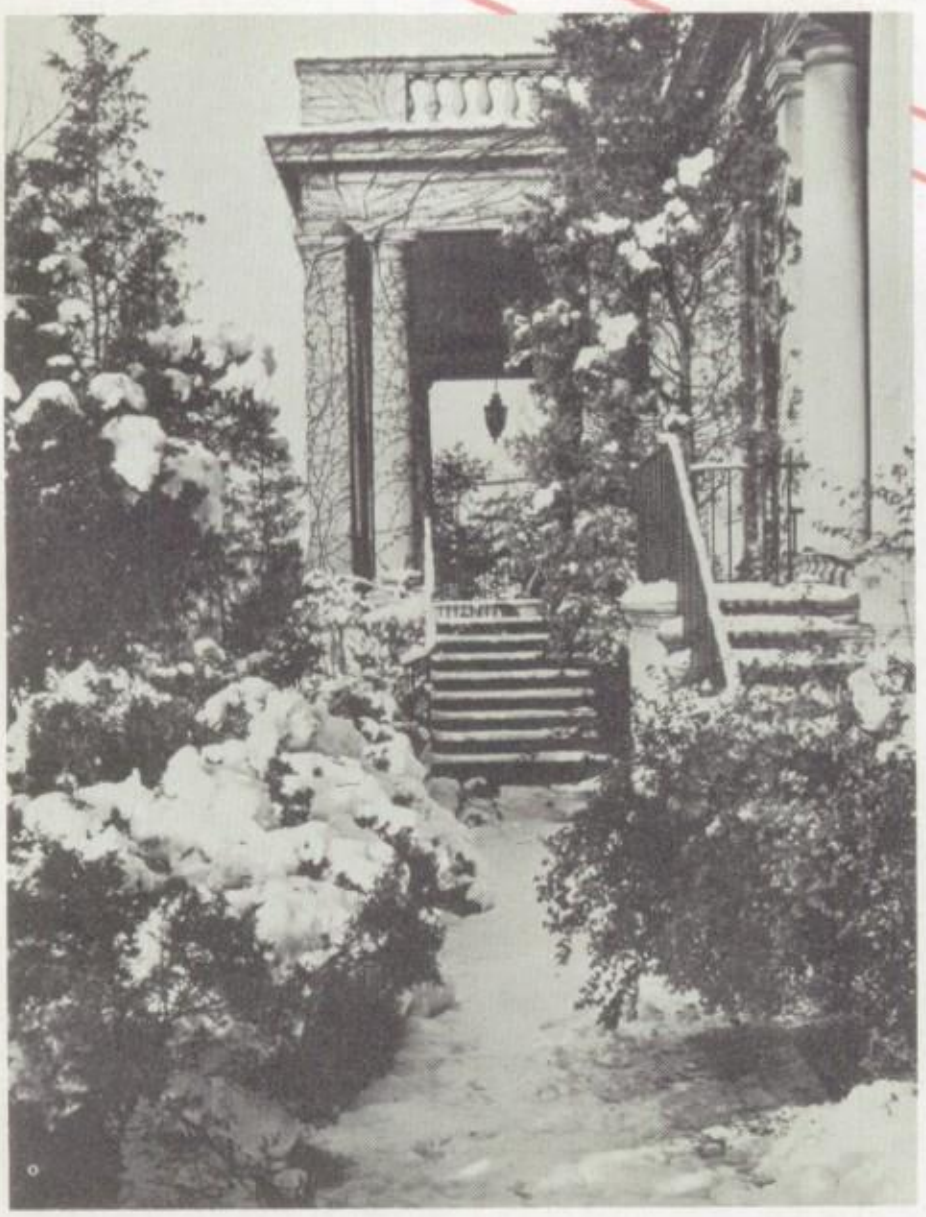


Snowbound

Fifteen years have rolled away since Father William Hammeke of St. Paul's Parish purchased the Luden estate in 1939 for the education of Catholic teenagers in Reading.

Since those early days Central has had a mushrooming business of its own. The seventy-five student enrollment of 1941 has galloped to an impressive 763. Twenty-seven different parishes are taking advantage of the school's educational facilities at the present time. Such outlying districts as Phoenixville, Pottsville, Hamburg, Bernville, and Kutztown are also availing themselves of the opportunities afforded by our Alma Mater.

# Dear Old Central High

Visions of a growing family required that the mansion be converted. Vigorous drilling and pounding transformed Mr. Luden's gracious home into classrooms and offices.

The den became Father Fricker's headquarters. Billiards once rolled in the physics lab; plants and flowers blossomed in the Office Practice room.

Frequent visitors to Father Leichner will be surprised to learn that his office was once the breakfast room, with rows of canary cages lining the entrance. All for the sake of Catholic education!

Oasis in the park

Bird-house contractors

Already in 1941 it was necessary to erect an annex between the mansion and the garage. This new structure dedicated on August 31, provided nine classrooms, a gym, and a cafeteria.

Five years later, in November 1946, the Middle States Accrediting Agency rated Central a superior school.

In 1949 Father John Wachter, now Right Reverend Monsignor, became administrator and furthered the work begun by Father William Hammeke. Father Raymond Leichner succeeded Father Charles Allwein as principal in 1952.

3:10—Tunnel exit

8:05—Tunnel entrance

Changing seasons usher in a myriad of colors on Central's campus. In the spring, the grounds sparkle with flowering trees: crab apple, magnolia, dogwood, and wild cherry. Completing the picturesque effect are various hues of spring's fashionable flowers.

In a rather plain but striking manner red and green maple trees line Hill Road while Eckert Avenue sports linden trees.

Making a quick change in the fall are hemlocks, cedars, and pines which make a pretty picture when they are blanketed in glistening white upon the arrival of winter.

# Most Reverend John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., D.D.

With a dedicated spirit, Archbishop O'Hara guides the destinies of his spiritual children along the path of Christ. Administrator of the archdiocesan school system, he is the dynamo which keeps the wheels of our great educational system turning. His outstanding work in encouraging and supporting school building projects substantiates the fact that His Excellency realizes fully the importance of Catholic education. With this enthusiastic interest in our welfare, Archbishop O'Hara leads us ever onward with the careful eye of wisdom and experience.

# Most Reverend J. Carroll McCormick, D.D., Ph.D.

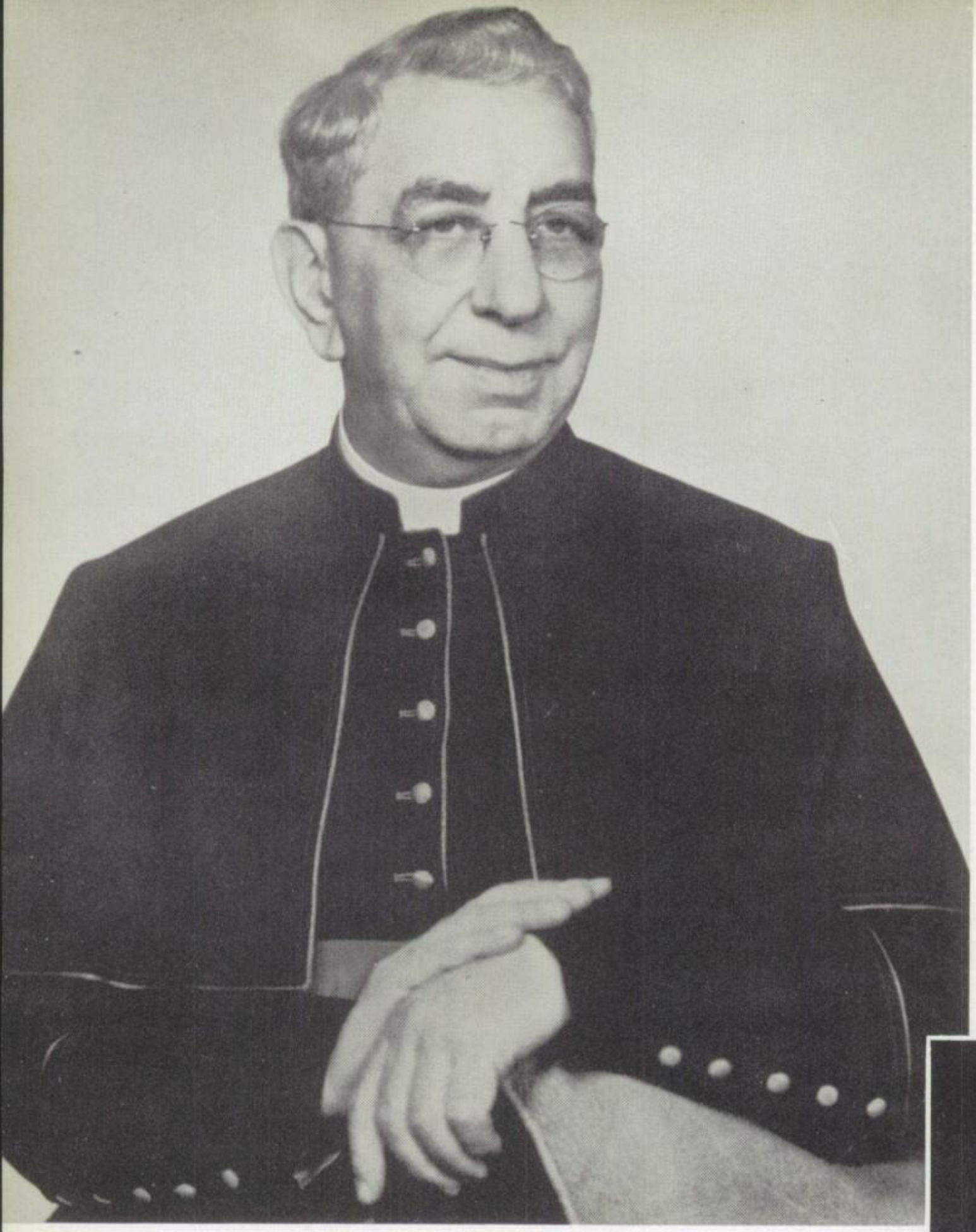
Ordained to the priesthood in 1932 in the Archbasilica of St. John Lateran, Rome, Bishop McCormick was made a Domestic Prelate with the title Right Reverend Monsignor in 1936.

On April 23, 1947, His Excellency was concecrated in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia, as Titular Bishop of Philadelphia. Bishop McCormick is also rector of the Church of St. Stephen in Philadelphia.

# Most Reverend Joseph McShea, D.D., Ph.D.

A West Catholic graduate, the Most Reverend Joseph McShea was ordained in Rome, 1931, by His Eminence Cardinal Marchetti-Salvaggiani. Besides his assignment to the Sacred Congregation for the Oriental Church at the Vatican, His Excellency was Secretary to the Apostolic Delegate in Washington for fourteen years.

Bishop McShea was consecrated on March 19, 1952, in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul by His Excellency, Archbishop Cicognani after which he became rector of St. Francis de Sales Church.



# Right Reverend Monsignor John N. Wachter

Every year our Alma Mater receives many special commendations for its achievements in scholastic and sports programs. These accolades are rightfully tributes to a man who by his financial and spiritual aid has raised Central to its present status.

Monsignor Wachter has rendered it possible for the graduates of Central to step forth from the mold of Christian philosophy armored with the casings of a sound education. So "here's to Monsignor Wachter" from each and every student for his unflagging interest and boundless generosity to our school. The graduating class as well as the alumni will long remember his unceasing efforts to keep Central on the top.

Rushing about with blueprints, evaluating a school, checking on student hangouts, rooting at the games, appearing on T. V., cruising around in a smoke-filled Chevvy, balancing accounts in his office, making announcements over the P.A.S., these are the momentary glimpses that form the montage of our year with Father Leichner.

In his three years as principal, Father has watched the enrollment bulge the sides of the school but he has managed, somehow, to find time and place for everyone. Wholeheartedly devoted to his vocation and ever zealous for Central's good reputation, he keeps a fatherly eye on study habits, discipline, and spiritual progress.

# Reverend Raymond J. Leichner

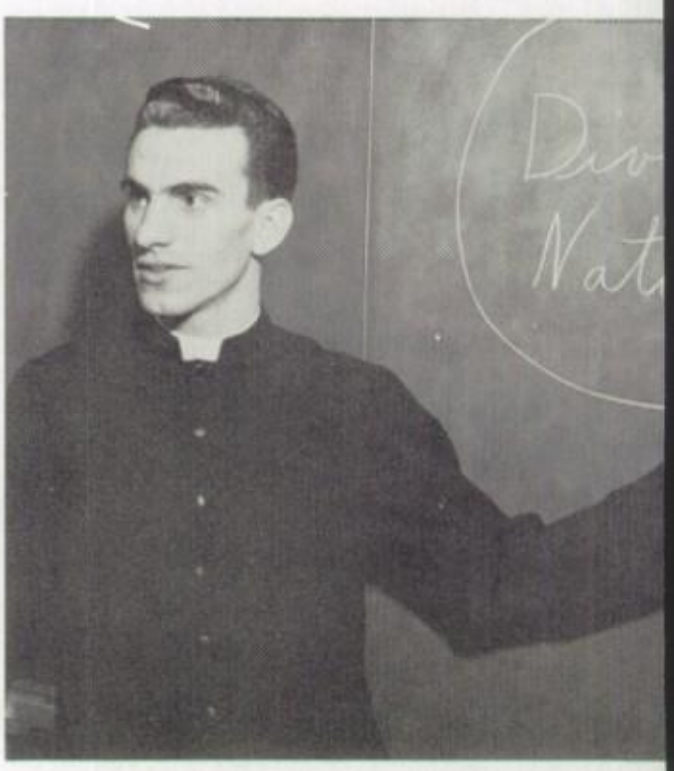
Reverend Joseph Fricker
Prefect of Discipline, Latin, Director of Athletics

Angel wings rustled again when Father Zolondek championed the cause of the "Lovely Lady Dressed in Blue." During the Marian Year our priest-musician set Mary Dickson Thayer's famous poem to music. A second flash of genius sent "The Bells of Our Lady," lyric and melody, straight into the hearts of his Central audience. Both compositions he published last June.

Another celebrity was Father Schulte. He was with us but one short month when his newly formed Forensic Union won four places in the Marian Year Oratorical Contest in Philadelphia, and captured the first place trophy. Days later Father tutored Elizabeth Kozlay to a thousand-dollar scholarship in the Democracy Contest in Berks County.

Reverend Stephen Bednarik
Religion, Boys' Counselor

# Faculty Facts

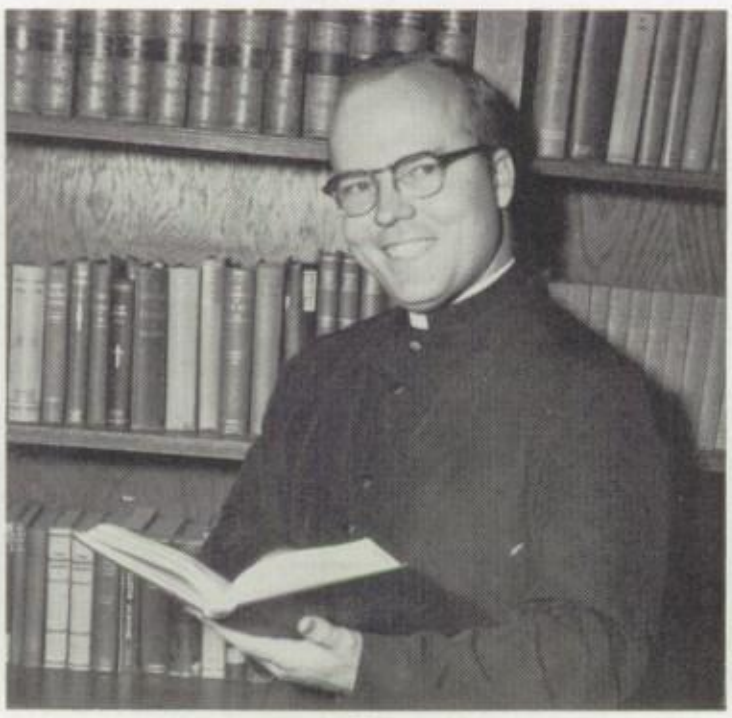


Reverend Joseph Dickert
Religion, Jay Vee Basketball Coach

Reverend Robert Forst
Religion, Latin, Moderator of Flashettes

Reverend Francis Schulte
Religion, Social Studies, Moderator of Forensic Union

Reverend John Zolondek
Music Department, Director of Majorettes and Color Guard



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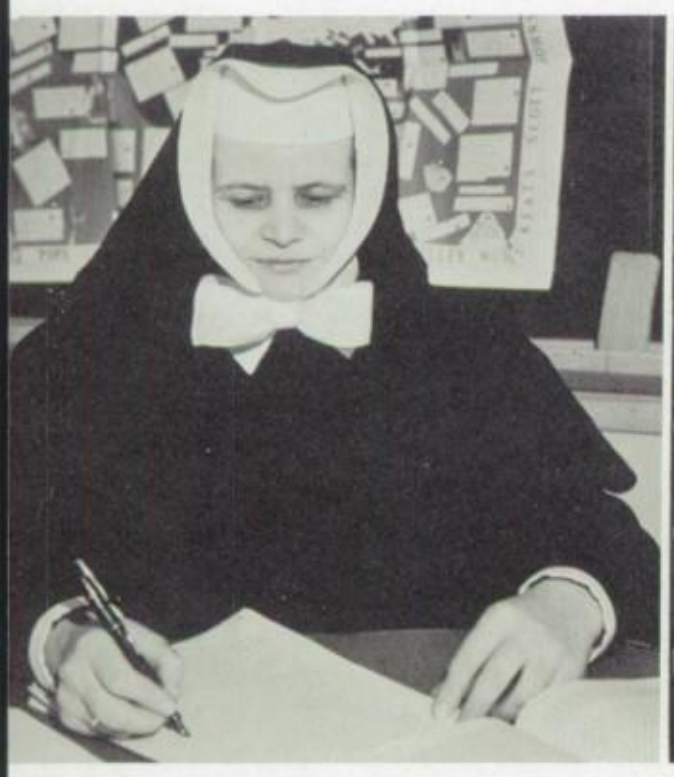
English, Latin, German

Sister Annemarie
Social Studies, Art

Sister M. Casimir
Science, Home Economics, Mathematics, Girls' Counselor



Sister M. Christella
Science, Social Studies, English, Mathematics

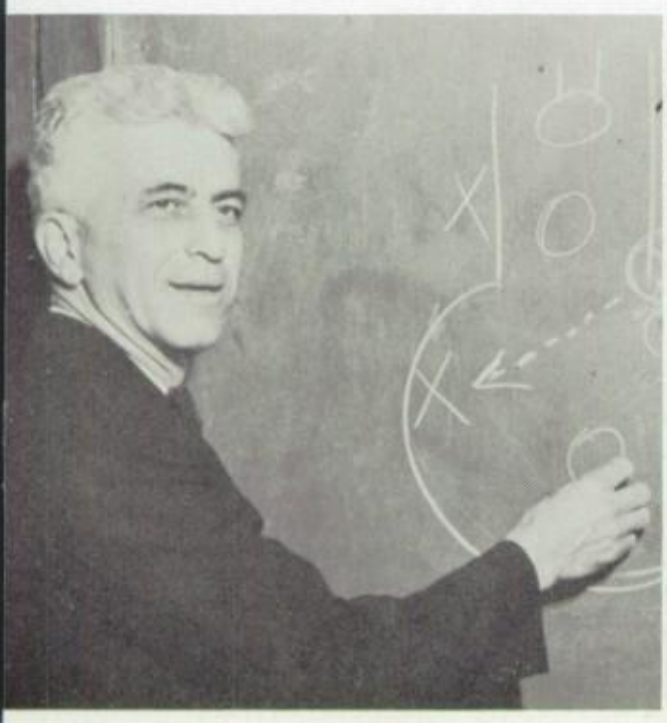
Sister M. Clare
Science, Mathematics

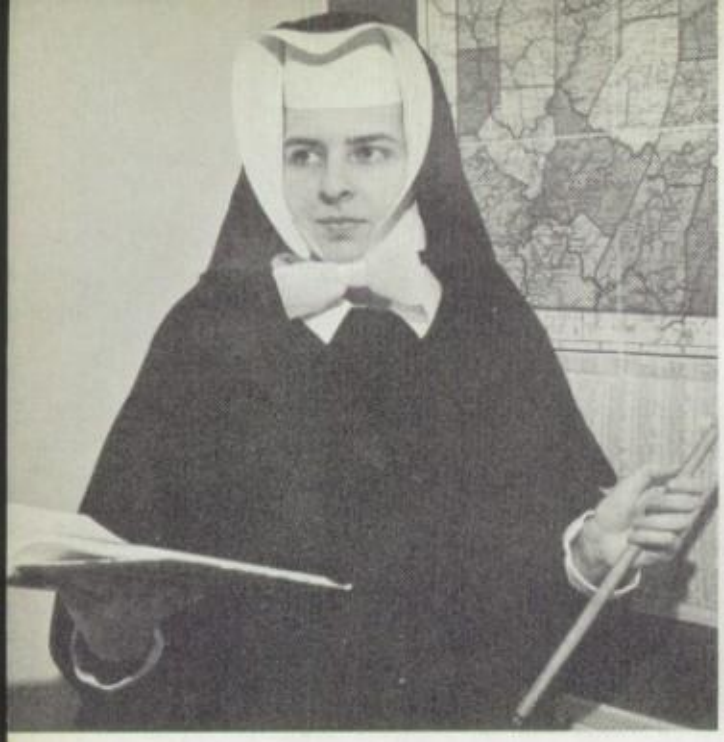
Sister M. Edna
Art, Mathematics, Mechanical Drawing

Mr. Joseph Schaaf
Boys' Physical Education Instructor, Health, Boys' Basketball Coach

Mr. William Abramowicz
Social Studies, English

Miss Virginia Illuzzi
Girls' Physical Education Instructor, Health, Girls' Basketball Coach





Sister M. Francetta
English, Social Studies

Sister M. Gemma
Mathematics

Sister M. Helen Joseph
Social Studies, Homemaking

Sister M. Hermanette
English, Mathematics

Sister Joseph Marie
Science, Automotive Essentials

Sister Marianette
Commercial Studies

Sister M. Martina
Household Arts

Sister Mary Gerard
English, Advisor **Centralma**

Sister M. Rene
French, English, Advisor **Hillside Echoes**

# In Black and White

The jingle of rosary beads met the buzz of the eight o'clock signal and nineteen Sisters were there on time. Then routine—windows were opened, books arranged, last minute preparations made, and home-rooms came to order.

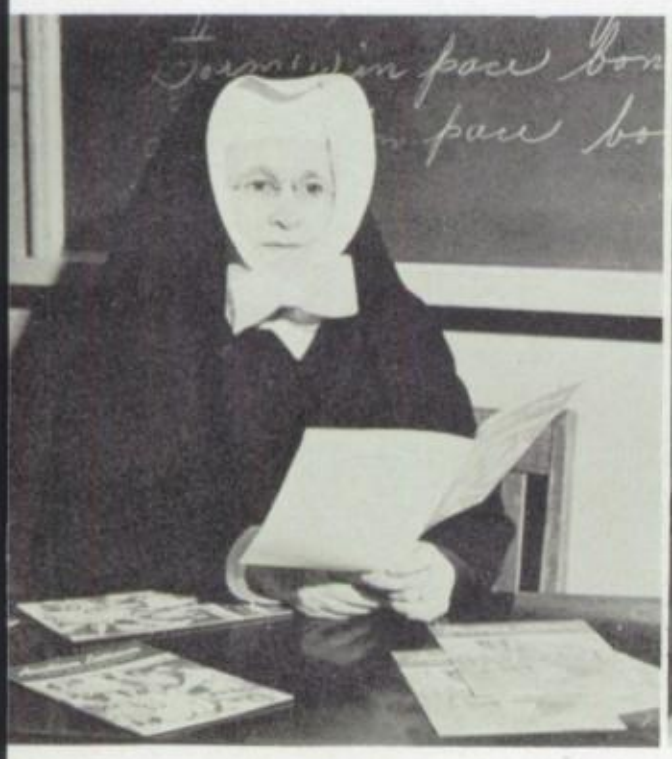
Though not in the Religion department, the Sisters were there to give the touch of Catholicism to art, science, literature, social studies, business—to all courses that should propel us into an appreciation of the better things in life.

Dedicated to God and to teaching, they were wholly devoted to their profession and met each day with a fresh effort to make us all perfect—spiritually, mentally, and socially.

Sister M. Romaine
Commercial Studies, Moderator of Vocation Club

Sister M. Imelda
Superior, Commercial Studies, Moderator of Student Association

Sister M. Rosa
English, Latin, German



Sister M. Rosana
Mathematics, Librarian

Sister M. Roselda
Social Studies, Spanish, Prefect of Studies

Dr. Ralph M. Mulligan
Pre-Professional, Track Coach

Dr. Lucille Tucker Greene
School Physician

Dr. Edward J. Stoebenau
Dentist

Miss Loretta Botzum
Nurse

# Operation Heartbeat

Headaches, chapped lips, cavities—the doctors examined everything—diagnosed, charted, and prescriptioned. Beyond the call of duty, Dr. Greene rushed to an emergency with 200 shots of G. G. last November when the hepatitis germ raised its ugly head. Seniors suffered the jab and came up smiling.

Came February, South Africa claimed Mrs. Richards who is sojourning in East London with her husband. Many a minor ailment she cured with a sympathetic word and a trusty aspirin. The two-minute break between propositions and translations brought all fevers down.

True to torm, Dr. Mulligan continued to invite the finest doctors in the city to the girls' pre-professional classes and to award chocolate bars for brilliant answers.

Mrs. Bernard Richards
Nurse

Miss Dorothy Milco
Secretary

Miss Helen Mazurkiewicz
Secretary

Mr. Clarence LeVan
Head Custodian

Mr. Harold Wagaman, Caretaker of Stadium
Mr. Richard Trexler, Assistant Custodian
Mr. Joseph Schaetzle, Repairman

Mr. George Clump
Cafeteria Manager, Maintenance

# Helping Hands

"Dutch" Levan checked furnaces at Central long before we had the slightest notion that it might be marnin'. At eight he was the first to meet us at the basement entrance with "Rubbers off" and "You'd better come quietly." Head custodian, he kept the building cleaner than any school we know.

Another early riser, and new to us this year, was Mr. Trexler who started out with his five children from Bernville at 6:55 A.M. on St. Mary's school bus. Like the Pied Piper he picked up 51 students all along the way until he came to Reading where he deported some at St. Margaret's Parochial School and the rest at Central. Mr. Trexler assisted "Dutch" during the day.

Cafeteria Staff—Mrs. R. Waninger, Mrs. J. Stumhofer, Mrs. C. Felix, Mrs. J. Botzum, Mrs. L. Faller. Missing: Mrs. L. Saylor.

# We Will Keep

The oratorical skill of Churchill, the finesse and nonchalance of Eden, the diplomacy of Dulles seemed pigmy to us in comparison with the weighty triumphs of our "big five" in Student Council affairs.

Here they are! The **Centralma** and **Hillside Echoes** awards as a guiding banner keep time to the demands of late hours, deadlines, trips to the printers, photographers. A burst of martial music from our band lifts lagging feet in the spurt for final victory.

A fairy tale come true—Jack and the Beanstalk. The seedling of our debate club planted in October reached maturity overnight. The prize—trophy won by Elizabeth Kozlay in the Philadelphia oratorical contest.

# You on the Top

Bright skies may mean clear sailing for Treasurer J. Christel, Corresponding Secretary C. Haage, Recording Secretary B. Ambrose, Vice President P. Glembocki and President F. Urban.

# Executive Suite

Crusading for more soap, louder juke boxes, better food for seniors, the Student Council challenged the dragon—and lost. However, indefatigable officers slew a minor infidel when they rallied the students to respect desk blotters and managed a season of livelier dances, each event with a theme carried out in longer streamers, blacker cats, and lankier scarecrows.

Innovations included a late election of freshmen representatives. Underclassmen voted just before Thanksgiving instead of the usual day in September, so that they could appraise their candidates before placing them in office. The installation was conducted privately with only the Student Council officiating.

Main duty of the officers is corridor patrol, where they eagle-eye trespassers of traffic regulations and smile pleasantly at the rest of us.

With their sunny-side up are Representatives J. Hudson, M. O'Pake, R. Gattone, R. Maslar. C. Arnold, J. Elia, T. Tallisk, I. Prendergast, J. Frank, L. Twardowski, J. Beard, P. Miller, M. Hannahoe, J. Purcell, J. Kogut and M. L. Seyfert.

Also taking a bit of "Bon Air" are Council members J. Sabatucci, M. Horrigan, D. Adams, C. Lis, C. Dease, E. Senkowski, B. McKeone, M. Mazurkiewicz, T. Faust, R. Salinger.

Taking a break before the rush are Associate Representatives T. Tucker, F. Swienckowski, P. Kaminski. B. Faust, C. O Brien, J. Dolan, M. Ortyl, G. Young, C. Gatski, K. Aschenbrenner, M. E. Feist, C. Didyoung, M. A. Spahn, and M. Martin.

Layout is the case in point. C. Dease, staff artist, discusses the senior section with editor-in-chief C. Haage and associate editor H. Stumhofer.

Selecting basketball glossies from files are photographer J. Scherer and chief cropper E. Senkowski.

# Job Number 1041

The staff was marked. Job Number 1041 appeared on photographs, on copy, on envelopes, on letters, and when the deadline came, for the sheer joy of it, we stamped it on each other. We may be one in a thousand or in two thousand "for all o' that" but we managed to pull through, bedraggled, headsore, and pencilless.

Some blamed it on Craig who insisted on brushing the mascots' (guppies) teeth; others accused Eddie who, to improve the art, cut six hundred unnecessary diamonds out of gray paper.

But the truth of the matter was that proofs became solarized, offset art was new to us, cold germs attacked the editor in December, black satin refused to look pretty on ninety senior girls who had to be rephotographed, and so on through the four deadlines. But we made it. The book came out. Your Centralma is the result of our labor.

To assure himself that the pictures are cropped correctly, F. Swienckowski, assistant editor, checks with sports editor F. Urban.

V. Zimmerman and M. L. Seyfert pound out the copy.

Adding nine sparks of life to yearbook sessions were junior assistants S. Swoboda, M. O'Brien, T. Tucker, C. Turnbull, M. Fosnocht, B. High, E. Impink, C. Gatski, P. Miller.

Deep in the problems of publishing a newspaper are reporters A. Martin and G. Knight, typists D. Wink and T. Romanovic, reporters E. Allaoever. P. Kaminski, R. Salinger, and A. Pfeifer, and typists C. Popp and L. Uczynski. Reporters K. Meiran, M. Nicholas, J. Janiszewski, and typists B. Goncher and M. Rotundo are seated.

# Ex-tra-A!

In a dither as deadline time draws near, reporters E. Kozlay and R. Dreibelbis, headline editor M. O'Pake, photographer G. Hull, public relations J. Kogut, exchange editor A. Rearden, and artist A. Hofmann add the all-important finishing touches.

As she pecks away at a multilith stencil G. Civita, typist of the **Little Echo,** is surrounded by her fellow staff members B. Hannahoe, sophomore assistant; T. Prendergast, editor; R. Boone, associate editor; and J. Swiezak, artist.

"Three o'clock in the morning, we wrote the whole night through." But burning the midnight oil really paid off. The **Hillside Echoes** staff have tucked away their tenth All-Catholic Award and their seventh All-American. Reason enough for self confidence—so much self-confidence, in fact, that stalwart editors and dauntless cubs stood united in boldly registering an appeal for an electric outlet for the J Room's Christmas tree.

Busily planning the next issue of **Hillside Echoes** are N. Loughney, editor-in-chief; B. Endler, page 2 editor; B. McKeone, page 3 editor; and M. Yahner, page 1 editor.

Jumbled page plans, pictures that never arrived, off-size engravings proved small challenge for fledgling editors. They waded through original prose and poetry submitted by aggressive underclassmen and came up with a "fit-to-print" literary insert for the Catholic Press Month issue.

But it all didn't come avalanching to them; they went out to get it. We won't mention the time that Marge and Gower Champion managed to elude the reporters. Let's just say it's better to let sleeping dogs lie.

Mind in a mess? Soul in a dilemna? Here's Central's answer, the staff's own brainchild "Little Echo." Its inspirational writeups proved the undoing of many a vice.

Back issues of **Hillside Echoes** yield inspiration to managing editor J. Dutton, feature editor C. Daly, page 4 editors R. Suglia and J. McLaughlin, and business manager B. Ambrose.

Two o'clock sharp was a tense moment for majorettes and marching band as they formed behind the north goal post at St. Lawrence Stadium. Three minutes to wonder whether they would stumble over the pebbles or instruments would fall about. Then on the fourth beat, the jaunty color guard stepped off, leading the entire corps downfield to the strains of the Notre Dame Victory March. And the game was on!

Figure eights and snappy pinwheel routines drew the attention of the crowd at half-time. Highlighting the maneuvers were the majorettes who sported new snow-white uniforms trimmed with gold braid and buttons.

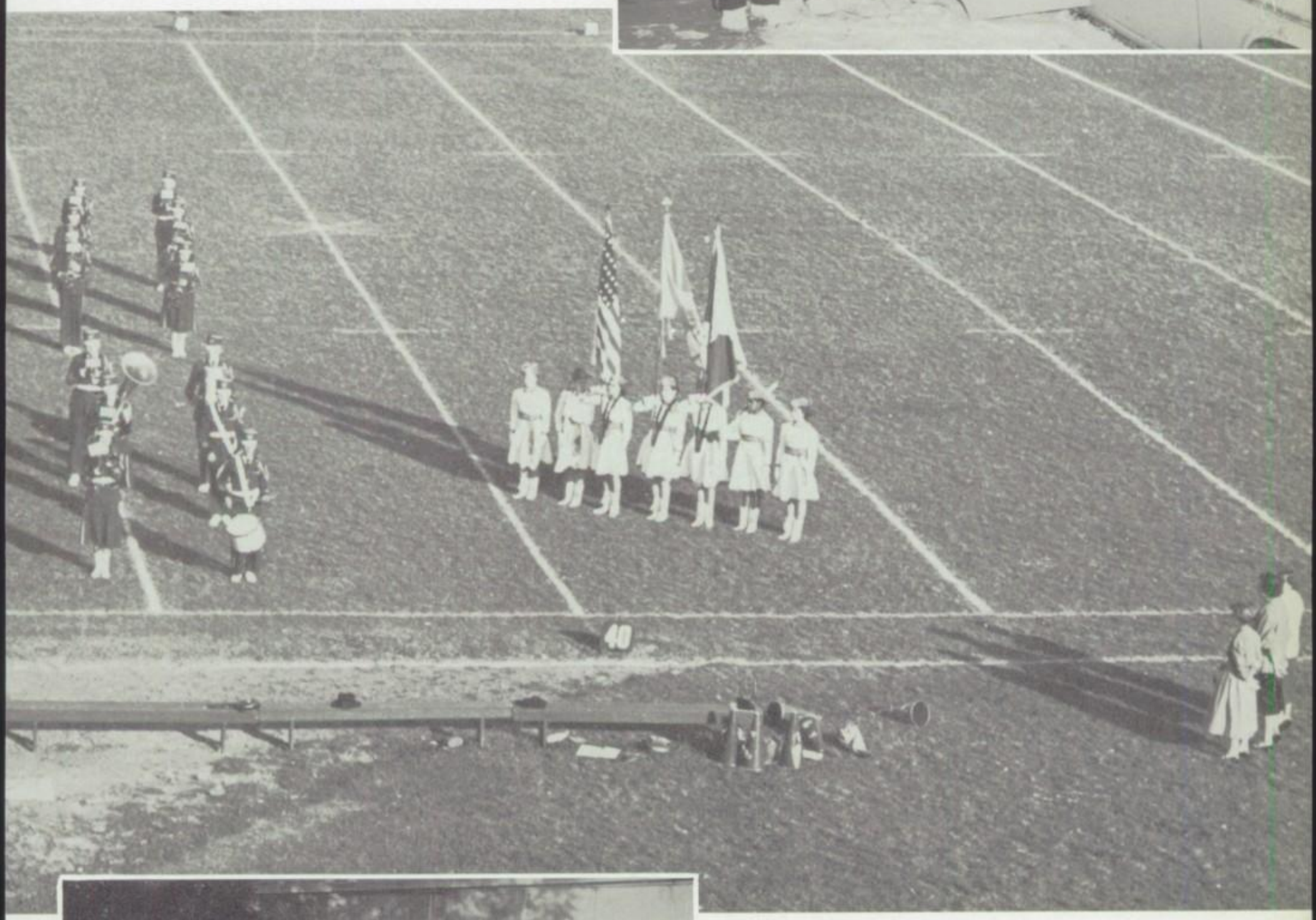
Besides performing at all home football games, Central's band marched in the Holy Name demonstration last October and in the Christmas Parade. Braving the elements, the musicians also participated in Pottsville High's groundbreaking celebration in the early fall.

Marching units climax half-time maneuvers with strains of the "Alma Mater."

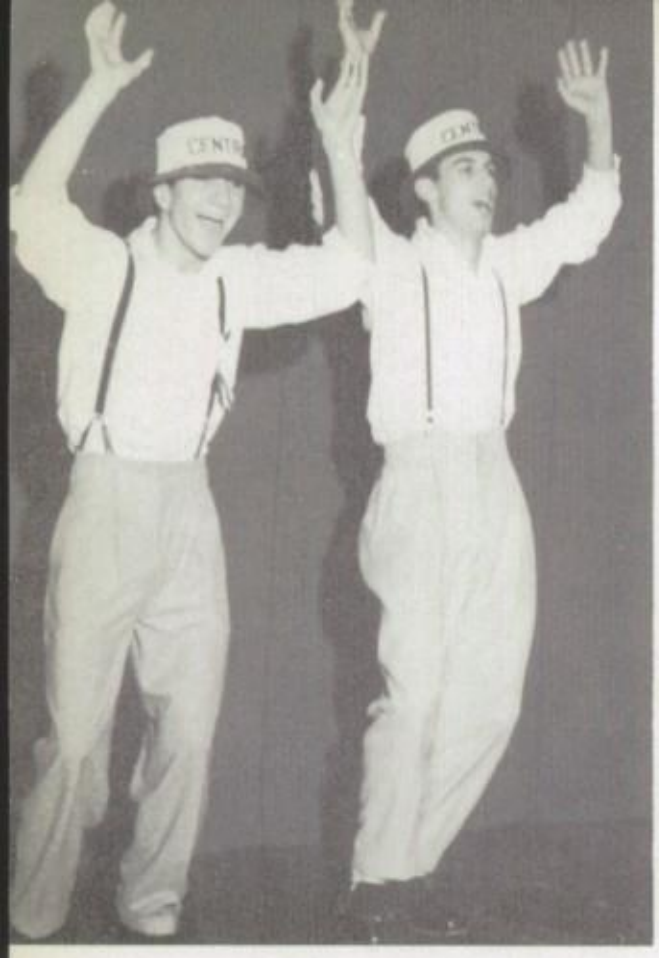
It's "Fight team fight!" as A. M. Gross, G. Civita, R. Young, M. Purcell, B. Sycterz, M. Horrigan, and M. Prendergast cheer the team to victory.

# Field Notes

Lucky R. Gensemer, G. Heere, H. Snyder, T. Fabian and G. Young found a more comfortable means of transportation in Father Zolondek's chariot.



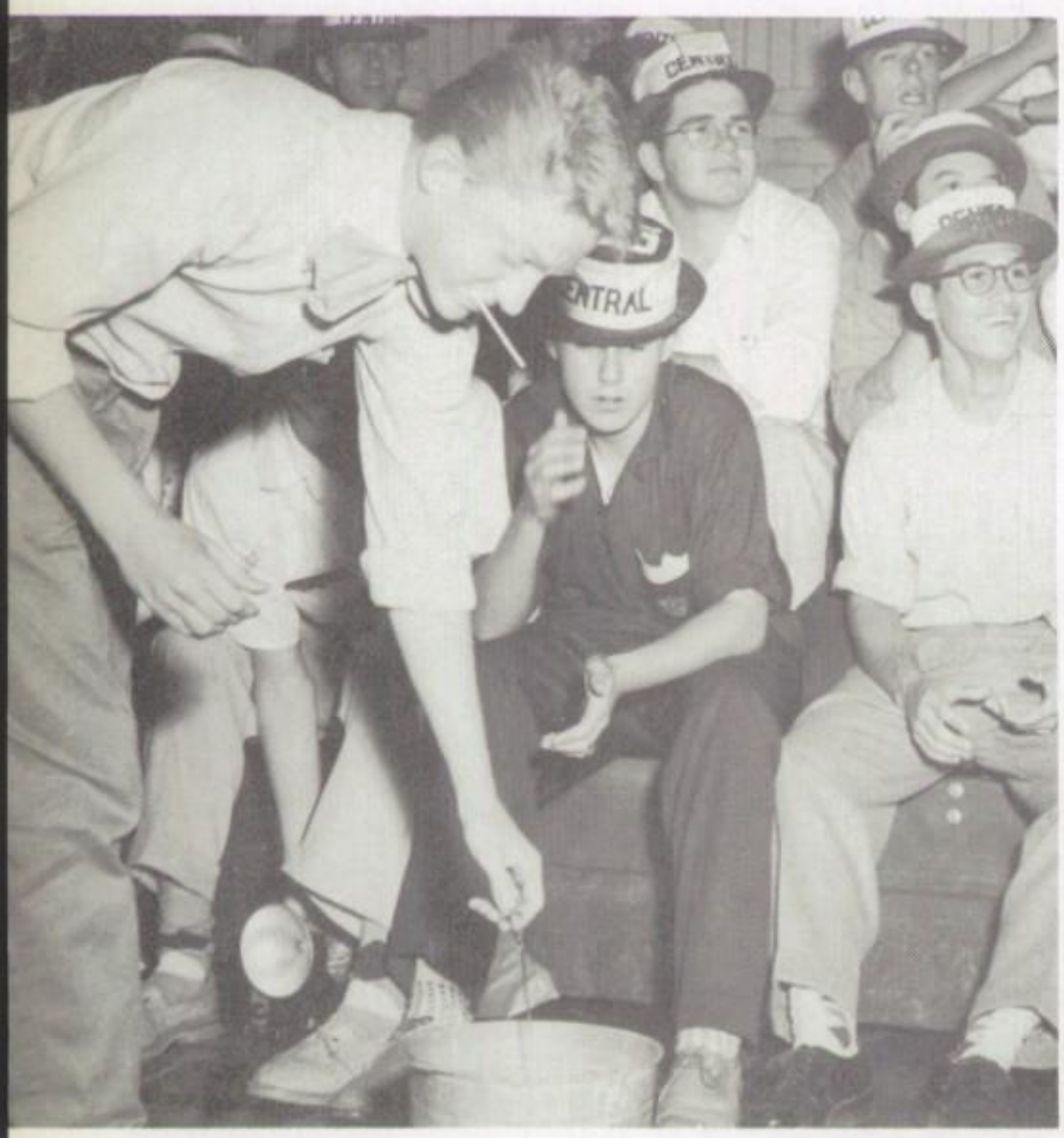
Percussion and brass line up on a snowy day. J. Marino, J. Young, H. Snyder, R. Gensemer, G. Flemming, T. Fabian, G. Heere, and J. Wojciechowski.



Be-bop addicts J. Frank and W. Faller bring down the gym with their "Shake-a-Hand."

The Crew Cuts cut loose with unearthly groans! Suffering their initiation Fathers Schulte and Horst and Mr. Abramowicz sing the "Alma Mater."

# Innocents Aboard



B. Killinger learns, to seniors' delight, that there are easier ways to empty buckets than with thimbles.

B. Henrich supervises F. Carabello's petal-picking while B. Ambrose, J. Sabatucci, and J. Carabello kibitz.

Wednesday nights, at first, found freshmen a little green at waltz time.

Torture, torture! Packed in icicles of fright, freshmen shivered through the days before October 8. Seniors' "Just wait till we get you" lowered their temperatures considerably.

Then Freshman Day arrived and with it underclassmen sprouted green bows and ties. Under scornful eyes of almighty seniors, Central's largest freshman class forged ahead and ducked behind classmates until they reached sanctuary in "Greenie" homerooms.

After a difficult day of hazing, Seniors mellowed, turned the tables, and really gave everyone a good time. With school president Francis Urban as M.C., seniors' rendition of "Shake a Hand" and "Skokiaan" brought the gym down.

Dancing to another tune underclassmen enjoyed Wednesday evenings through October, November, and December with Mrs. Kitzmiller who taught them to waltz, fox-trot, rumba, and Charleston.

Prizes from Mrs. Kitzmiller proved to G. Jones and M. Marzano that it pays to be the tallest and the shortest on the dance floor.

Share and share alike. Cereal fans J. Essig and D. Stumhofer do it the hard way.

Standing for review M. Purcell, Mrs. Abeln, C. Daly, F. Richards, Mrs. Slapikas, and M. Mullen take their final bows.

To the officers of the Mothers' Club we owe the success of our fashion show. Pictured are Mrs. T. Dooley, Mrs. P. O'Brien, Mrs. G. Loeper, Mrs. J. Wolan, Mrs. R. Kase, Mrs. T. Humma, Mrs. R. Arnold, Mrs. W. Liptak, Mrs. J. Mullen, Mrs. A. Heere, Mrs. J. Abeln.

F. Richards, on the arm of E. Senkowski, wears a stunning gray gabardine suit with sequined collar. Her handsome beau is smartly attired in a splash-weave dark blue suit.

Ready for winter weather, F. Swienckowski, sporting a gray trench coat, escorts Mrs. Slapikas, in a fashionable light blue coat, and M. Mullen in the ever-popular boy-style camel's hair with belted back.

Fancy-free T. Dooley, in a dark gray tweed sport jacket with charcoal trousers, totes two charming young ladies. C. Kushmore, on the left, models a steel-gray suit while C. Daly wears a brown and white checked suit.

# Vanity Fair

The tune "A Pretty Girl Is Like a Melody" took on a new interpretation at the annual card party and fashion show, November 12. Limelight-shy male models from our own Central Catholic made their grand entrance attired in the latest men's fashions. On either side the lads supported Central's loveliest coeds, decked in everything from snappy rainwear to breath-taking party clothes. Narrator for the affair was Miss Bonnie Borrelli.

The photographer caught Fr. Leichner giving last-minute instructions to card party hostesses.

On an evening of fashions, P. Purcell, in her casual navy dress, and Mrs. Abeln, in a flashy red wool dress, are gallantly escorted by L. Norman who sports a black jacket with metallic thread and matching gray slacks.

# We Will Fight

Gasps, groans, shouts, cheers! Majorettes, smart and snappy, twirled gleaming batons while gridsters skimmed, fought, panted, triumphed. Scores mounted, wavered, dropped, soared.

When the red of autumn faded to the gray of winter, loyal rooters urged, agonized, and in a frenzy of enthusiasm swung the courtmen aloft to victory. Higher and still higher, loyal Centralites waved their beloved Red of courage and White of truth and purity. Backwards, forwards, danced white uniformed figures splashed with scarlet—our tireless cheerleaders.

Like winged Mercury, our trackmen trotted, sprinted, and rivaled Atlanta. Crack! Thud! Baseball bats, mitts! Clouds of dust settled and "our flag was still there."

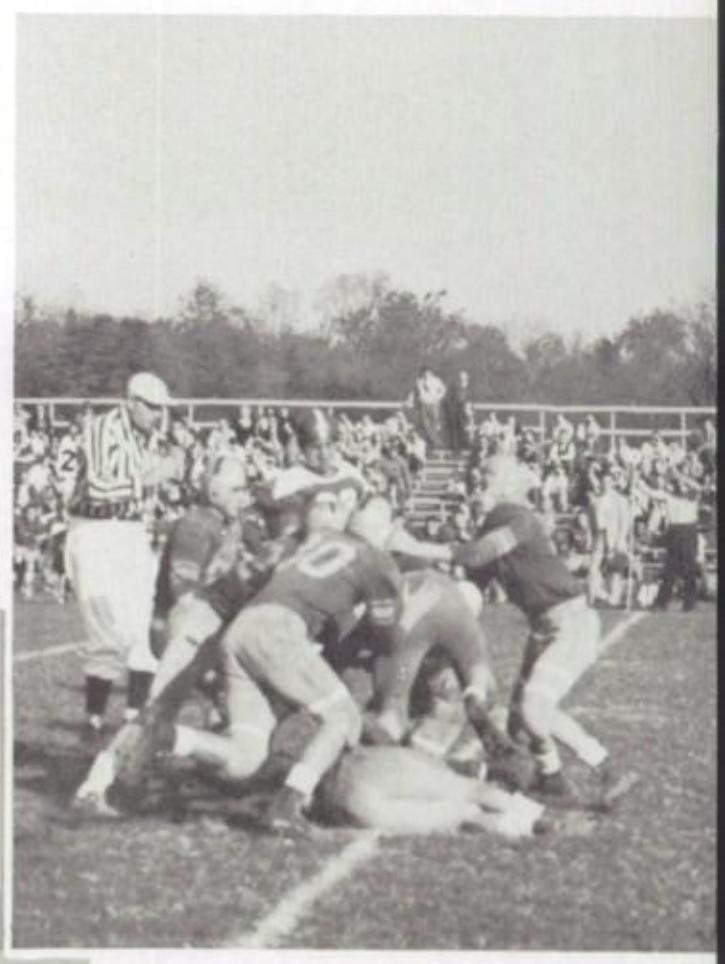
# For the Red and White

# Grit and Glory

The difference between good and great is a little extra effort. This spirit was imbedded deep into the aggressive linemen and hard-running backs during the grueling practice sessions of summer and fall. Many hours of effective coaching by the strategists Steve and Andy Hydock and constant application on the part of the candidates turned out a smooth functioning unit for the opening clash with York Catholic.

Central took to the field with a completely green team but compensated for the lack of experience with spirit and team play. When the final whistle of the season blew, the Cardinals returned to lockers a tired and muddy crew, knowing it was well worth the little extra exertion.

Although many valuable players will be lost through graduation, sophomores and juniors received valuable experience, and may prove to be the nucleus of a powerful team next year.



Five Pottsville gridmen pull an unidentified Centralite to the turf in one of the early skirmishes of the season.

"Choo, chool Gangway!" yells T. Faust as he picks up yardage against the Pottsville team in a Hydock win.

Central 7 Harrisburg 22

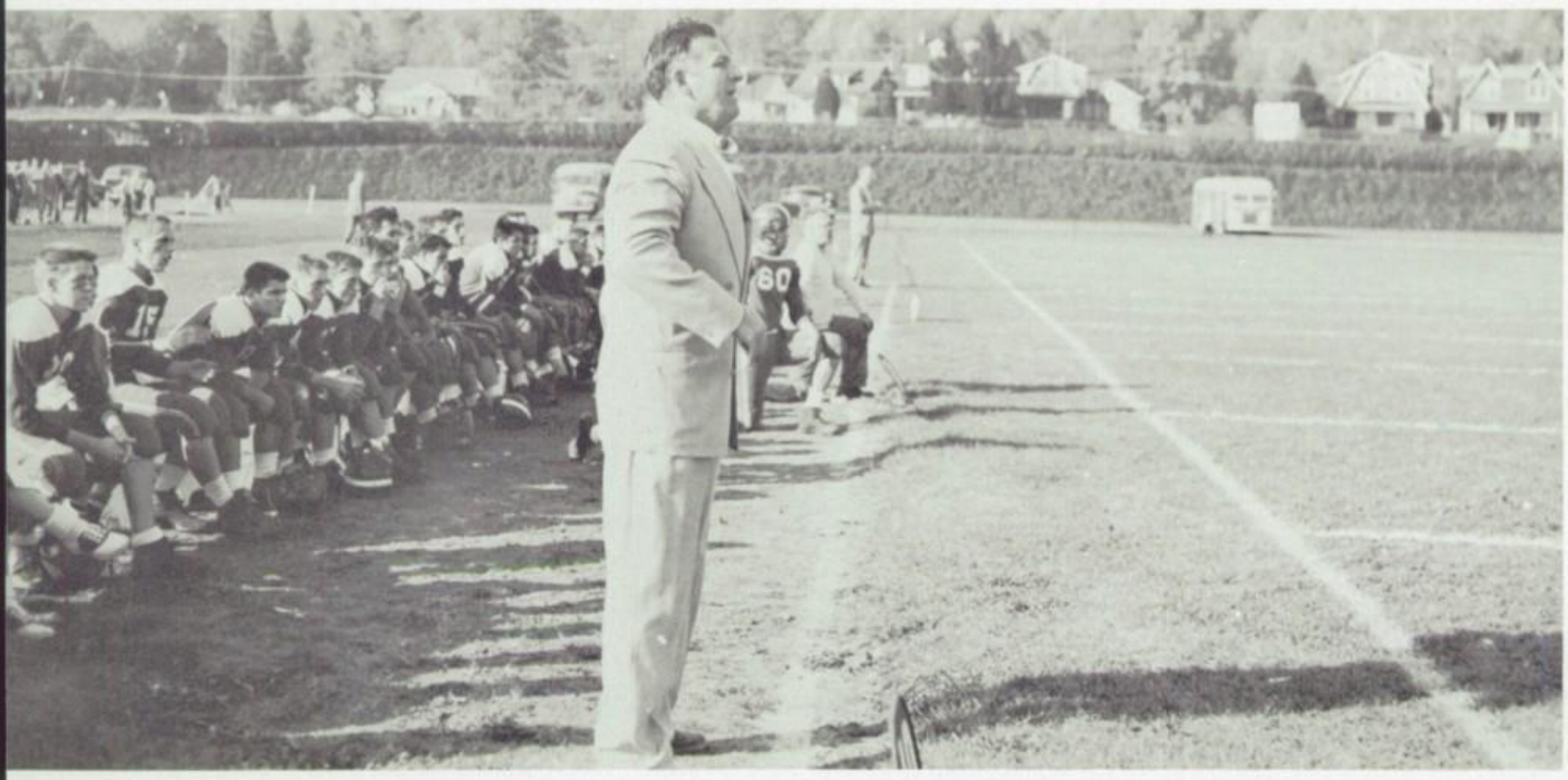
A swift, sure-footed Harrisburg team took the measure of Coach Hydock's Cardinals by a 22 to 7 score. The Crusaders rammed Central's line for touchdowns in each of the first three quarters. Ed Jablonski's pass to Dave Adams was responsible for the only Central tally.

Central 6 St. Matthew 18

With a light but fast team the Mirrors shattered a three-game winning streak for the Cards. Bill Mayan scored the Cardinals' lone six-pointer, as the Cards dropped their first game of the season.

Central 31 Lancaster Catholic 6

After dropping two games straight, the Cardinals broke into the victory column with a 31 to 6 win. The Redbirds' excellent defensive play held Lancaster Catholic to a single touchdown.



Steve Hydock, commander-in-chief of Central's task force, surveys the damage.

As he maneuvers through the York line for some hard-earned yardage, T. Faust shows a burst of speed.

Central 6 — Allentown Catholic 14

The Red and White met a stiff defense, faltered, and suffered a 14 to 6 defeat. Allentown Central's offensive power proved too much for the Hydockmen. Tom Faust was the lone Redbird to cross the Viking goal line.

Central 31 — York Catholic 13

Central's gridmen opened the '54 season with a powerful victory over the Irish of York Catholic. Leading the Central scoring parade was Joe Butzer with three touchdowns. Ed Jablonski's passes clicked for a total of 85 yards.

Central 20 — Mt. Carmel 0

The Cardinals, showing excellent defensive play, flew over the Mt. Carmel gridsters. Galloping 68 yards Tom Faust drew first blood. A Jablonski-to-Butzer pass netted the second T. D. Bill Mayan scampered six more yards for the final score.

Central 31 — York Catholic 13

Protecting a budding undefeated streak the Hydockmen crashed through the hapless Green and Gold. Pottsville once led by a 14-13 score but this edge was short-lived. Tommy Faust scored two T. D's to lead the Redbirds in the scoring department.

Central 20 — St. Patrick 14

Playing a tight game all the way the Cardinals broke a 14-14 score in the final quarter to wind up the season with a 20-14 victory. Tom Faust with two touchdowns and Joe Butzer with one six-pointer shared scoring laurels.

First row: D. Breneiser, J. Butzer, E. Jablonski, T. Dooley, W. Kase, T. Faust, J. Carabello, L. Norman, J. Didyoung. Second row: Coach S. Hydock, R. Gattone, B. Post, R. Pouleson, J. Curtin, D. Adams, R. Salinger, J. Post, F. Lenich, S. Bonk. Third row: Mgr. B. Hannahoe, W. Kelly, P. Abeln, J. Auchter, W. Mayan, S. Ciesielski, R. Cusma, J. Costello, J. Braun, R. Meyers, Mgr. J. Heckman. Fourth row: A. Pawlewicz, J. Elia, J. Curtin, J. Dolan, G. Hoffman, P. Wandzilak, L. Steslow, D. Wisniewski, C. De Angelis.

Steve and Andy Hydock
Coaches

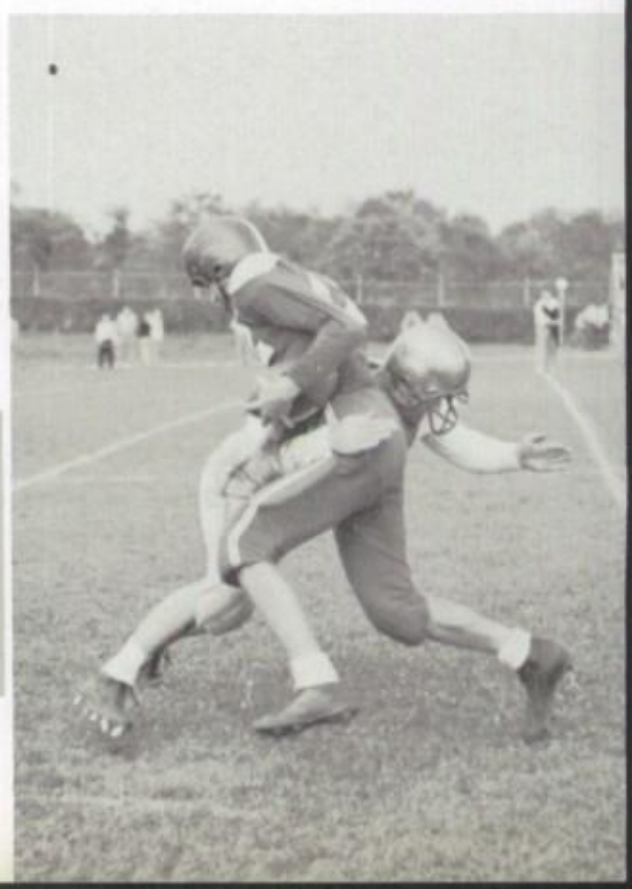
Edward Jablonski
Captain

A Joe Schaaf view of half-time from atop his perch.

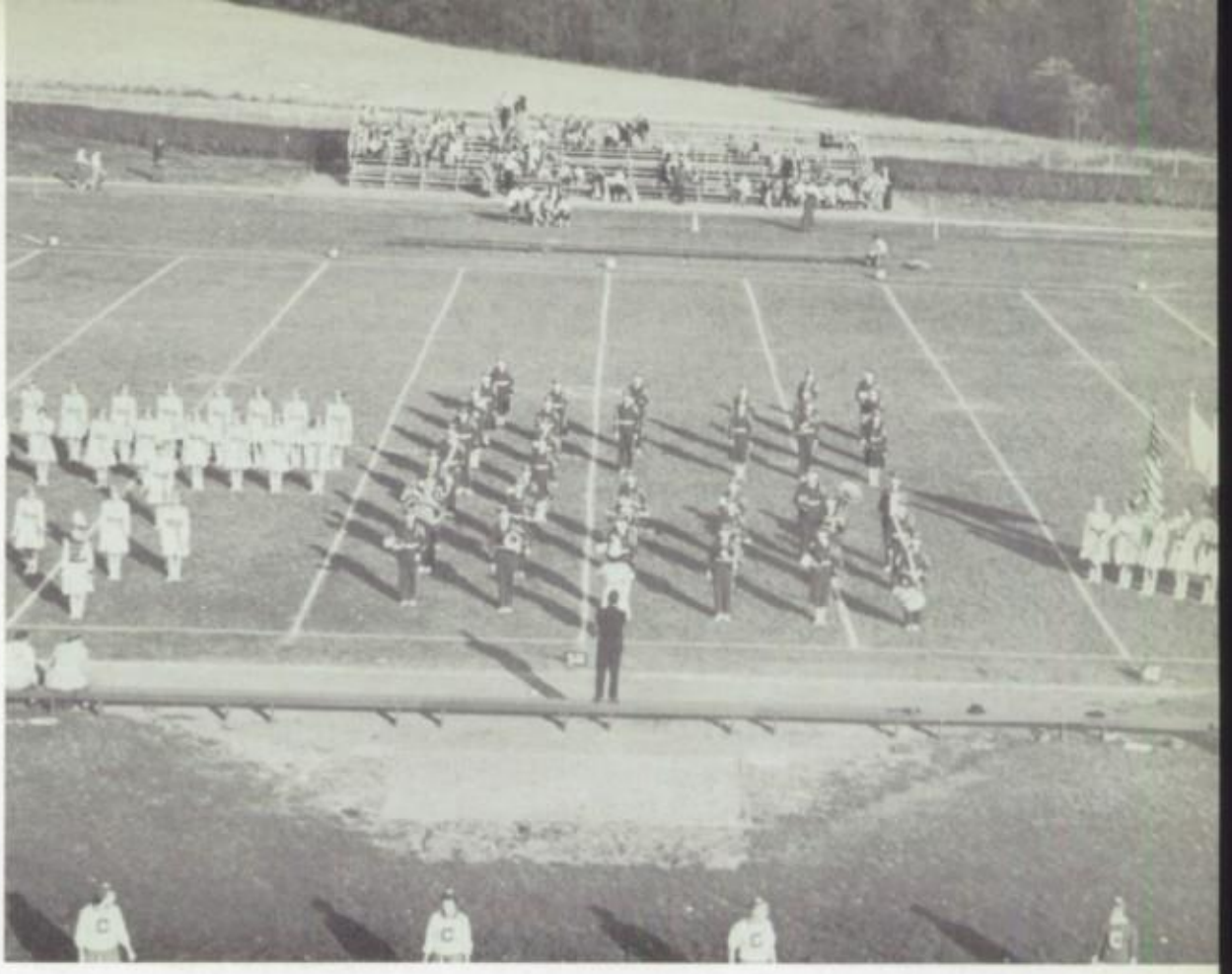
Robert Salinger and Fred Lenich make a vain attempt to stop a rambling aggressor.

Two of the six give a cheer for team.

Sept. 12—York Catholic
Sept. 2o—Mt. Carmel Catholic
Oct. 3—Pottsville Catholic
Oct. 10—St. Matthew
Oct. 17—Harrisburg Catholic
Oct. 24—Lancaster Catholic
Oct. 30—Allentown Central
Nov. 7—St. Patrick



A Mount Carmel-ite jerks T. Faust out of his tracks in a gallant end run.



The marching band takes over.

He never had a chance. Red Adams' furious onslaught drops a Pottsville player in his tracks.

# Card Quintet

The Cards entered their '54-'55 season with high hopes and a team, state-championship bound. A 6' 3" center, two capable guards, and hard-driving forwards promised fair weather.

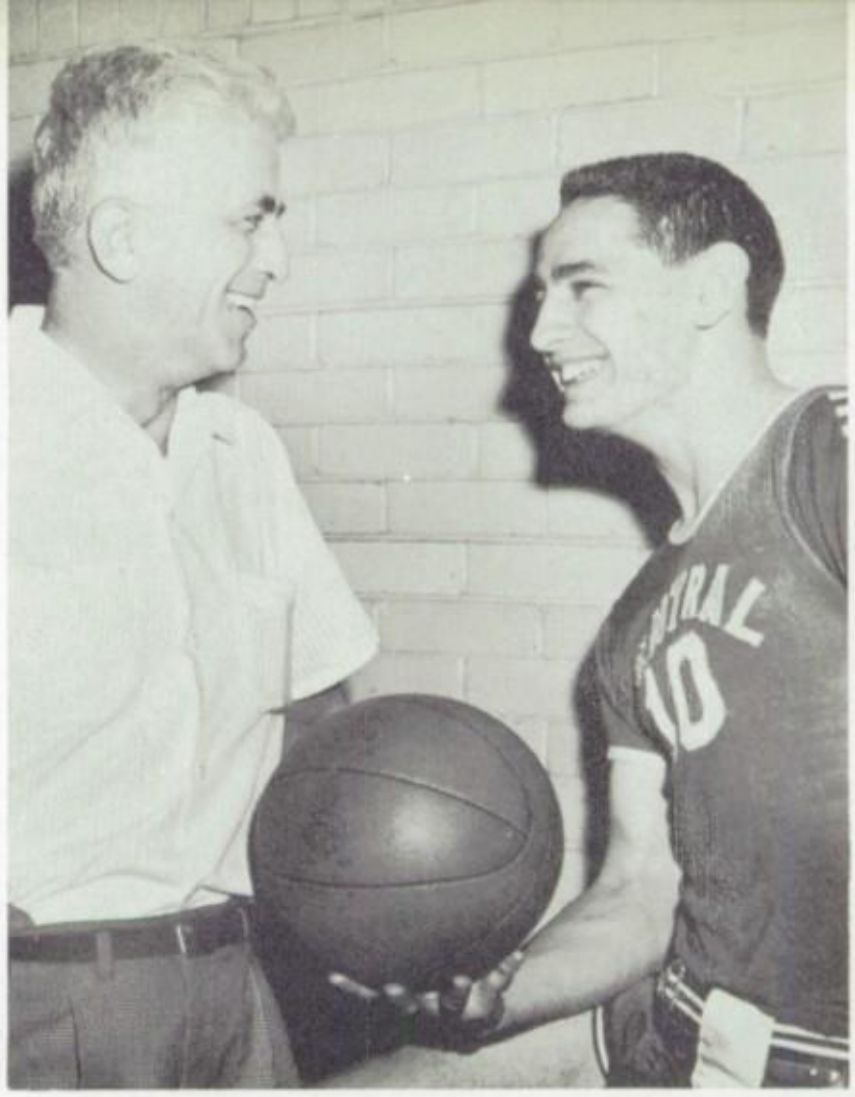
York! West Catholic! Coatesville! Then thunder clouds appeared on the horizon and rain, rain, rain. Luck just ran away in the second "halves" when under pressure the Cards' spirit broke. They found the ball too slippery to handle. To top their ill luck, Ed Jablonski main lightning rod of the Redbird five, toppled in the Hazelton scuffle. Hopes rose as Joe Butzer and Gerry Nein teamed up to take Ed's place. Victories mingled with defeats.

The playoff game came and went with a sharp defeat to Coach Schaaf's quintet. Though the Cards did not attain the heights of state champs, they'll always be champs in the eyes of their fans.

P.C.I.A.A.

For the second successive time, the Allentown Vikings proved to be too much for the Cards. Jump shots told the story as Greg Kloiber connected for 21 points. Ed Jablonski clicked for 25 marks thus breaking Mike De Paul's former record at Central.

J. Nein rockets over F. Mautino to pocket another two points for the fighting Cardinals.

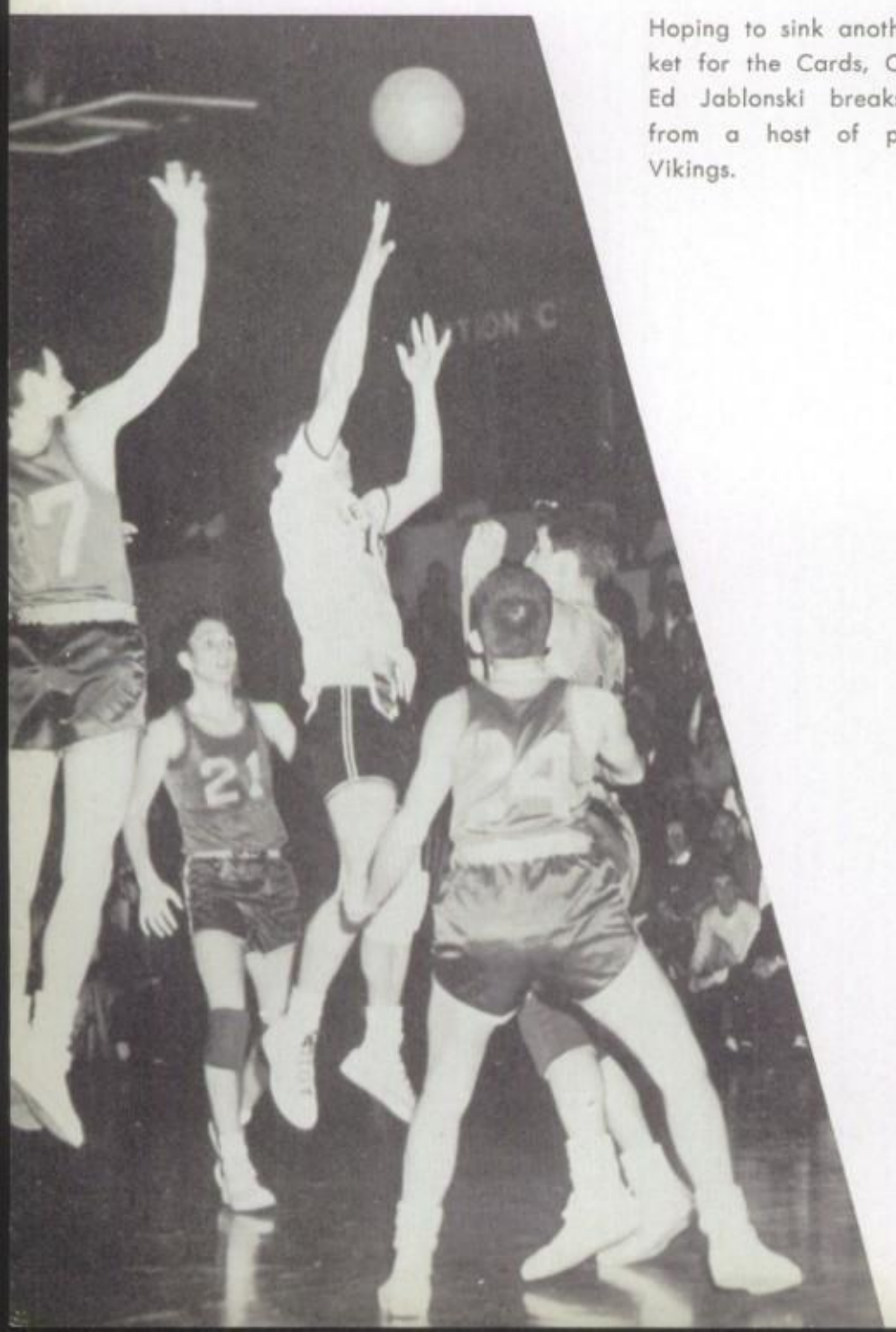


Coach Schaaf and Captain Eddie Jablonski register jubilation after a successful practice session.

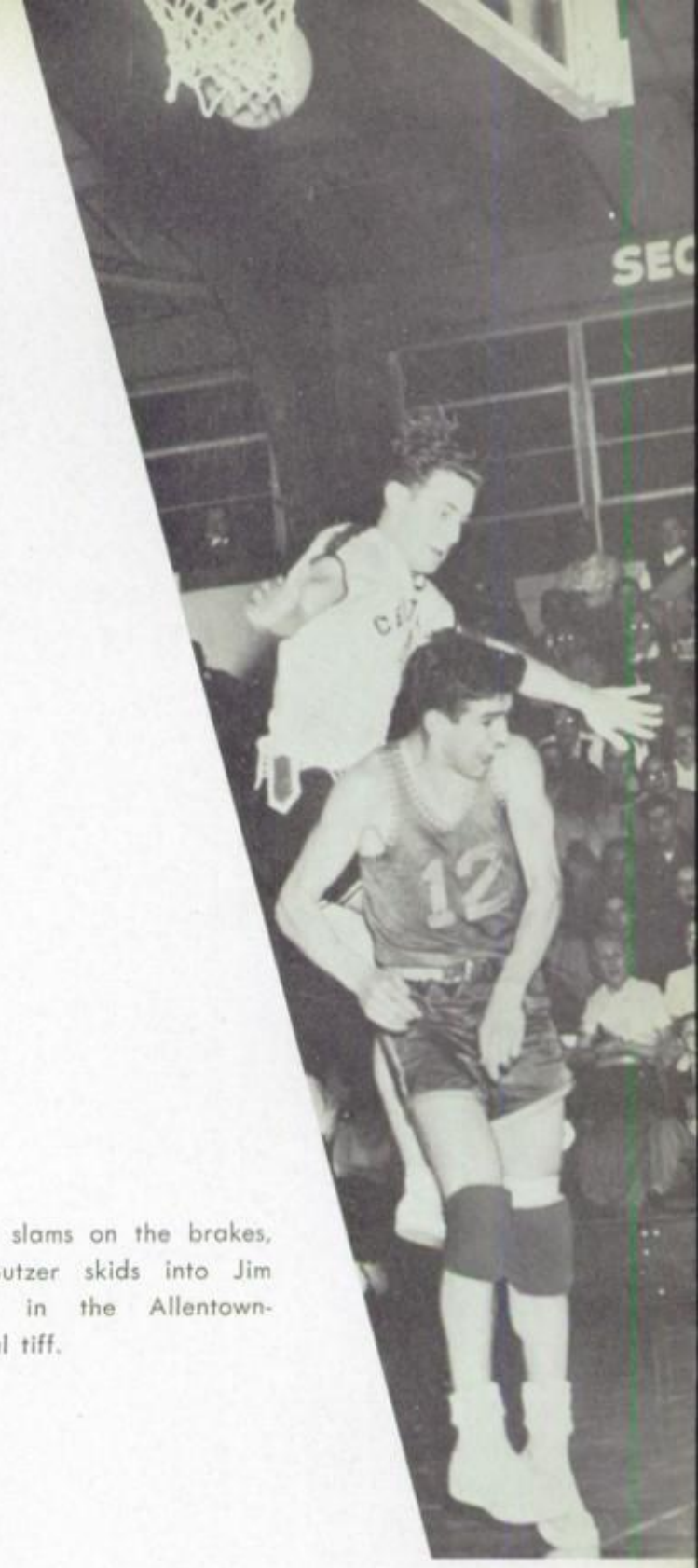
Varsity Team-First Row: R. Kogut, Mgr., W. Mayan, W. Kase, J. Butzer, E. Jablonski, F. Lenich, G. Skuczas, A. Pawlewski, Mgr.

Second Row: J. Worth, Mgr., A. Furst, T. Faust, D. Adams, R. Dreibelbis, P. Slapikas, G. Nein, Coach J. Schaaf.

Officers of the Boosters' Club: Father J. Fricker, treasurer; Mrs. G. Aschenbrenner, financial secretary; Mr. S. Pettit, recording secretary; Mr. G. Aschenbrenner, president; and Mr. G. Hoyer, vice president. The Boosters are active promoters of interest in Central Catholic and aid the athletic department financially.



Hoping to sink another basket for the Cards, Central's Ed Jablonski breaks loose from a host of powerful Vikings.



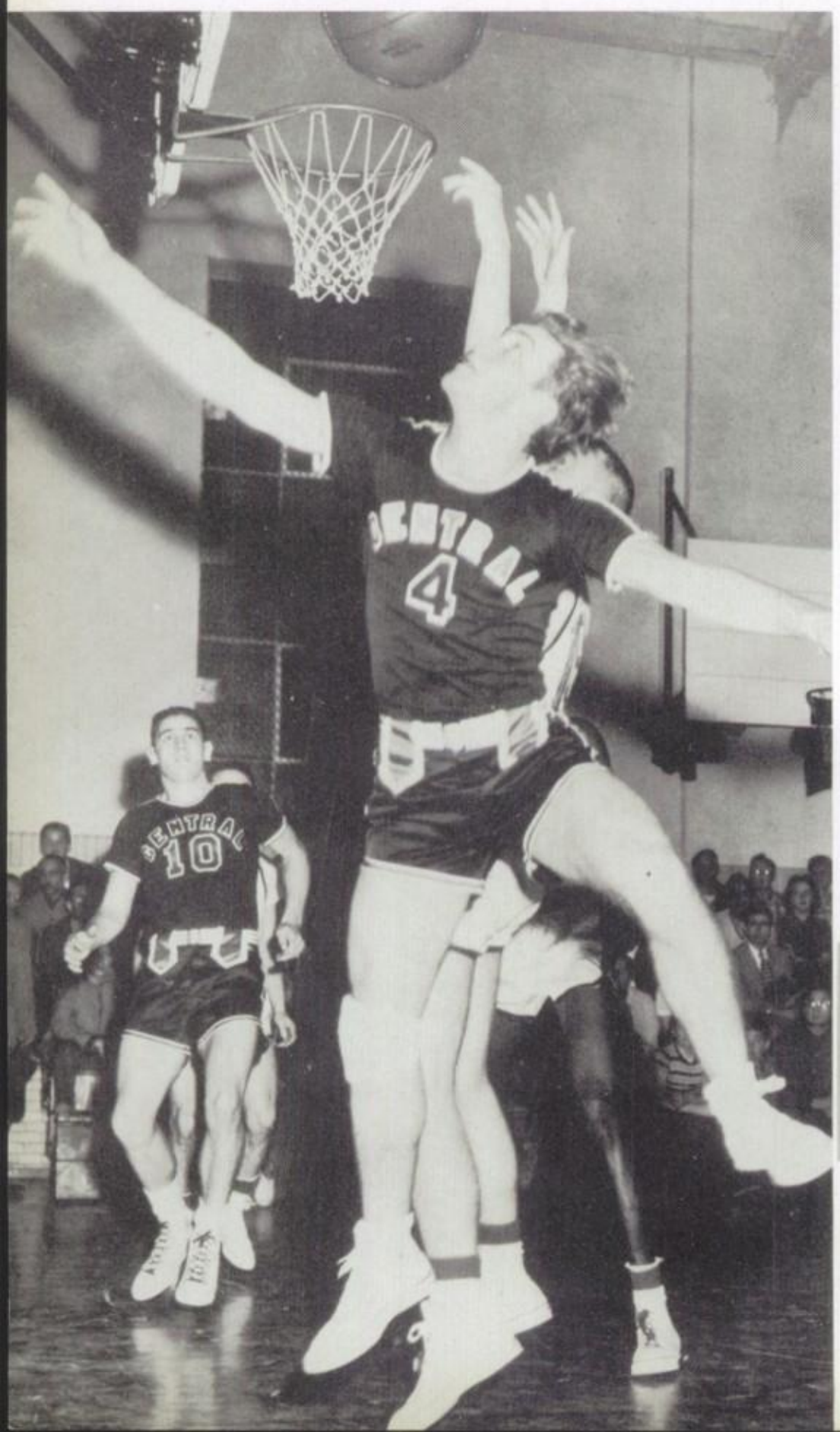
As he slams on the brakes, Joe Butzer skids into Jim Egizio in the Allentown-Central tiff.

Officers of the Athletic Board: Dr. E. Stoebenau, vice-president; Mr. G. Clump; Father J. Fricker, treasurer; Mr. J. LaManna, president. The Board acts in an advisory capacity to Father Fricker, athletic director.

# Basketball Schedule — '54-'55

Dec. 5—York Catholic*
Dec. 8—Coatesville Public
Dec. 10—Lebanon Public
Dec. 12—S. E. Catholic, Philadelphia
Dec. 14—Birdsboro Public*
Dec. 21—Lancaster Catholic*
Dec. 26—West Catholic, Philadelphia
Jan. 4—Bethlehem Public
Jan. 10—Hazleton Public
Jan. 14—Coatesville Public*
Jan. 16—Bethlehem Catholic*
Jan. 21—Valley Forge Military Academy
Jan. 23—Catholic Interracial Center
Jan. 25—Easton Public*
Jan. 27—St. Matthew*
Jan. 30—York Catholic
Feb. 4—Valley Forge Military Academy*
Feb. 6—Lancaster Catholic
Feb. 8—Hazleton Public*
Feb. 11—Reading High
Feb. 15—Shamokin Public*
Feb. 18—Perkiomen Prep.
Feb. 21—Allentown Public
Feb. 25—Harrisburg Catholic*
Feb. 27—St. Matthew
Mar. 1—Perkiomen Prep.
*Away

High into the air leaps J. Butzer to sink a field goal against a powerful Coatesville squad.




Central 37 — York 36

The Cardinals open their 1954-55 season edging York Catholic's Irish by a 37-36 count. Ed Jablonski and Joe Butzer sparked the Redbirds with 14 and 12 points respectively. The game proved to be a close contest with both teams playing a possession ball.

Central 56 — Coatesville 36

In their usual cool, calm way Central's hoopsters crushed a much taller Coatesville team to the tune of 56-36. Diminutive Ed Jablonski led the attack with 21 points.

Central 65 — Lebanon Public 49

The Cedars of Lebanon Public bowed before a terrific attack by Central's Iron Men. Outclassing the Cedars throughout the battle, Central erased them from the unbeaten ranks. Flashy forward Ed Jablonski topped the scores with 28 counters.

Central 59 — Southeast Catholic 62

Meeting a stiff defense, the plucky Cards faltered before the point barrage laid down by the Philadelphia Catholic League Champs. Ed Jablonski and Joe Butzer carried the brunt of the attack for Coach Schaaf's hoopsters.

Ed Jablonski twists in an attempt to pass the ball to T. Faust in the Bethlehem High tilt.

Coach Schaaf gives a few pointers before game time to senior starters T. Faust, R. Dreibellis, G. Skuczas, Ed Jablonski and J. Butzer.

Central 70 Birdsboro 50

Ed Jablonski and Joe Butzer provided the scoring punch for Central's hoopsters as the Cards set the Birdsboro five back by a 70 to 50 score. Jablonski hit the nets for 31 points while Joe Butzer contributed 20 points to the cause.

Central 54 Lancaster Catholic 30

The sparkling offensive play of the Cardinals dazzled Lancaster's Crusaders as the Cards humbled them on their home boards. Ed Jablonski was the shooting star for Coach Schaaf's five.

Central 53 West Catholic 54

Playing against a strong Philadelphia quintet, the Redbirds dropped a close decision by a 54-53 score. The game proved to be nip and tuck all the way with West winding up as victor. McNichol and Dunn led the West attack with 16 and 17 points respectively.

Central 58 Bethlehem Public 69

The rangy Red Hurricane of Bethlehem High surged to a 35-26 margin at half time and stretched the lead to 54-39 in the third quarter to capture the contest in easy fashion. Bethlehem's Bill Dairs sparked the attack with 20 points.

Central 49 Hazleton Public 61

A hard-fought game resulted when the scrappy Mountaineers of Hazleton took on the Cardinals and handed them their fourth defeat of the season. Central's basketeers were deeply cut by the knee injury suffered by Ed Jablonski midway in the third quarter.

Central 43 Coatesville Public 40

A shouting crowd was witness to the defeat handed Coatesville Public by Central's hoopsters. Playing without the services of Ed Jablonski the Cardinals found the going rough but cinched the game by a 43-40 count.

Central 54 Bethlehem 55

With seconds to play, the Golden Hawks of Bethlehem tightened their drawstrings on Coach Schaaf's bag of tricks. The game proved to be a see-saw affair with Bethlehem clinching a hard earned victory.

Central 68 Valley Forge Military Academy 70

The Redbird gym was a madhouse as a standing crowd saw the Cadets of Valley Forge edge the Redbirds by a 70-68 margin. Bob Dreibelbis paced the Cardinal attack with 21 counters.

Central 60 Catholic Interracial Center 35

Rolling to their seventh win, Central's hoopsters found it comparatively easy going as they dribbled over the Catholic Interracial Center by a 60-35 score. The Cards outscored C.I.C. 20-15, from the field and 16-15 from the charity line. High scorer for the Cards was Joe Butzer with 17 points.

Central 47 Easton Public 55

Easton Public showed sparkling offensive ball handling as they turned back the Cardinals by a 55-47 margin. Easton's Rovers led by 14-7, 30-14, and

G. Skuczas tries in vain to score a rebound as the Valley Forge Cadets move in.

41-34 scores at the quarter marks. Spark plug for the game Redbirds was Joe Butzer with 22 points.

Central 68 St. Matthew 56

Taking complete control of the situation Central romped over St. Matthew's by a 68-56 margin. Outcome of the contest was never in doubt as the Cards led at each quarter.

Central 42 York Catholic 44

In an extra period tussle York Catholic's Irish avenged an early season setback 44-42. Walt Keffer paced the Irish attack while Joe Butzer and George Skuczas shared 32 points for high scoring laurels.

Central 47 Valley Forge Military Academy 53

The Cadets of Valley Forge Military Academy pocketed their second win over the Redbirds by setting them back, 53-47. Gerry Nein, playing his first game for the Red and White, boosted the Central attack with 13 points.

# J. V. Team

Front row: R. Liptak, J. Mulligan, W. Brenner, P. Loeper, P. Abeln. Back row: Mgr. T. Twardowski, G. Hoffman, Coach Father Dickert, S. Ciesielski, Mgr. B. Hawk.

Central 49 Lancaster Catholic 39

The Cards grabbing an early lead held it for the route and won by a 49-39 margin. George Skuczas bombarded the hoops for 26 points to pilot Coach Schaaf's charges to their ninth win.

Central 81 Hazleton Public 86

The point-happy Mountaineers turned on the heat in the last quarter to set back the stubborn Central hoopsters. Both teams banged away at close quarters throughout the entire game. The 167 points scored by both teams represents a new Hazleton single game record

Central 31 Reading High 39

On the Northwest hardwood the Red Knights put on the freeze and clinched the game by a 39-31 score. It was the third straight year that the Knights retained the mythical city title. Fred Mautino with 16 counters paced Reading with Joe Butzer sparked the Cards with 11 points.

Central 56 Shamokin Public 63

The Greyhounds of Shamokin Public reversed the Central Catholic cagers to the tune of 63-56. Shamokin never was headed after they broke a 30-30 tie midway in the second quarter. Bob Dreibelbis topped the scorers with 17 tallies.

Central 78 Perkiomen Prep. 62

Utilizing a 23-8 first-period advantage, Central snapped a three-game losing streak at the expense of Perkiomen Prep. The visitors led only once, 2-0, at the contest's opening. George Skuczas and Joe Butzer provided the scoring punch with 42 counters.

Bob Dreibelbis stretches forward to snare a loose ball from the Cedars of Lebanon.

High and mighty, T. Faust dunks another bucket in the Lancaster fracas.

Central 54 Allentown Public 62

The clever Canaries spanked the Cardinals, 62-54. This victory was the 21st in 22 outings for the East Penn League pacesetters. Terry German set the scoring tempo for Allentown with 29 points while Ed Jablonski was big gun for Central with 17 tallies.

Central 50 Harrisburg 72

Harrisburg High's Crusaders rolled to an easy 72-50 victory over the hapless Cardinals. Harrisburg was ahead at the quarter marks 18-10, 39-27, and 57-41. Spearhead of the Cardinal attack was Ed Jablonski with 20 tallies. Johnny Clark was big gun for the Crusaders with 24 points to his credit.

Central 62 St. Matthew's 53

A full house in the Hill Road gym was witness to the Cardinals' thrilling conquest over St. Matthew's High. The Redbirds staved off a determined Mirror rally in the last quarter to put the game on ice. Ed Jablonski and Joe Butzer were two big aces with 22 and 20 points respectively.

Central 69 Perkiomen Prep 43

Putting the lid on their regular season, the Cards defeated Perkiomen Prep for the second time this season, 69-43. Central led at half-time, 37-18. Ed Jablonski's 20 points and Joe Butzer's 18 counters helped the Cardinals along.

# Hoop Skirts

A jackpot of nine wins and four losses concluded the Cardinalettes' winning basketball season. The Red and White gave their all and placed second in the Pennsylvania-Delaware League. Compiling 512 tabs, averaging 39 per game, the Cardinalettes permitted only 415 tallies for their opponents.

No old records were broken this year, as the team's high scorer, M. McFadden was absent from four games with a broken finger.

As co-captains of the team, M. McFadden and A. Daly ended their high school basketball days—McFadden with 180 counters this year. M. McFadden, R. Rick, S. Styer, and J. Murphy were scoring forwards during the season. A. Daly, M. Pfrommer, and E. Devine played the unsung guard positions. The JVs showed promise when they easily won two out of four games.

The ball is Central's! A mighty leap gives Molly McFadden possession in the scuffle with St. Patrick.

# Varsity

First row: A. Daly, R. Rick, M. McFadden. Second row: M. Pfrommer, L. Lapi, G. Setley, A. Sayek. Third row: A. Stengel, S. Styer, J. Murphy, Miss Virginia Illuzzi, Coach, C. Devine, M. Yahner, A. Rearden, Mgr.

# Junior Varsity

First row: M. Kelly, V. Volker, M. Spahn, L. Kroener, A. Lenich. Second row: J. Winterhalter, J. Yahner, Miss Virginia Illuzzi, Coach, T. Jaraczewski, A. Heizmann.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE—1955

| | CCHS | Opp. |
|---|---|---|
| Jan. 7—Lansdale | 39 | 27 |
| Jan. 12—St. Patrick* | 58 | 9 |
| Jan. 20—Lancaster | 31 | 27 |
| Jan. 23—Catholic Interracial Center | 24 | 21 |
| Jan. 28—St. Elizabeth | 41 | 21 |
| Feb. 3—St. Matthew* | 41 | 46 |
| Feb. 8—St. Patrick | 56 | 14 |
| Feb. 11—St. Katherine | 43 | 38 |
| Feb. 13—Lansdale* | 39 | 52 |
| Feb. 20—St. Elizabeth* | 28 | 55 |
| Feb. 23—Lancaster* | 42 | 28 |
| Feb. 27—St. Matthew | 32 | 30 |
| Mar. 4—St. Katherine* | 38 | 47 |

*Away

In a crucial moment, M. Pfrommer snares a rebound.

# Cinder Crews

M. Boland watches D. Adams ready himself to hurl the javelin.

15th Intramural Meet

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100 yds. | Thomas Faust | 11. |
| 220 yds. | Thomas Faust | 25.4 |
| 440 yds. | Thomas Faust | 55.3 |
| 880 yds. | Thomas Faust | 2.17:1 |
| Mile | Thomas Faust | 5.10:6 |
| 110 yd. Lows | Thomas Faust | 14.2 |
| 120 yd. Highs | Thomas Faust | 19.9 |
| Shot Put | Benjamin Ambrose | 41′ 1″ |
| Discus | John Post | 115′7 7/8 |
| Pole Vault | John Post | 10′ 6″ |
| Javelin | David Adams | 132′ 7 1/8 |
| High Jump | Thomas Faust | 5′ 1″ |
| Broad Jump | Paul Slapikas | 18′ 1 1/2″ |

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|---|---|
| Seniors | 80 1/2 |
| Juniors | 56 1/2 |
| Sophomores | 14 |
| Freshman | 3 |
| High Scorer: | Thomas Faust - 45 3/4 |

Muscles taut, B. Ambrose prepares to chuck the shot-put as R. Salinger looks on hopefully.

TRACK SCHEDULE

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| April 4 - 5 - 6 | Intramurals |
| April 16 | Archmere Academy |
| April 23 | Valley Forge Military Academy |
| April 27 | Stevens Trade |
| April 30 | Penn Relays* |
| May 7 | Malven Prep. & Archbishop Prend.* |
| May 11 | Venske Relays* |
| May 15 | St. James |
| May 21 | Perkiomen* |
| May 29 | Catholic State Meet |

* Away

Flying saucers on parade. J. Post and W. Kelly set themselves to fling the discus.

Team: Front Row: R. Kogut, Mgr., T. McGlinn, E. Nierle, B. Napiecek, W. Wenrich, J. Fritz, K. Hoefling, J. Mulligan, R. DeSantis, J. Nierle, Mgr. Middle Row: W. Brenner, R. Boone, A. Sallette, J. Hartgen, T. Tucker, R. Gattone, J. Auchter, R. Deakin, M. Boland. Back Row: J. Meshinsky, S. Bonk, W. Kelly, J. Post, D. Adams, R. Salinger, T. Faust, B. Ambrose, P. Slapikas, D. Lineaweaver.

T. Faust leaps up and over to clear the low hurdles.

Sitting: T. Twardowski, P. Rotundo, J. Elia, A. Pawlewicz, E. Alfiero, J. McLaughlin, M. Sosh, P. Abeln, R. Meyers, J. Mancuso, W. Jones. Standing: Coach J. McLaughlin, E. Jablonski, S. Sauer, L. Steslow, E. Senkowski, G. Nein, W. Koons, M. Ortyl, P. Wandzilak, T. Weaver.

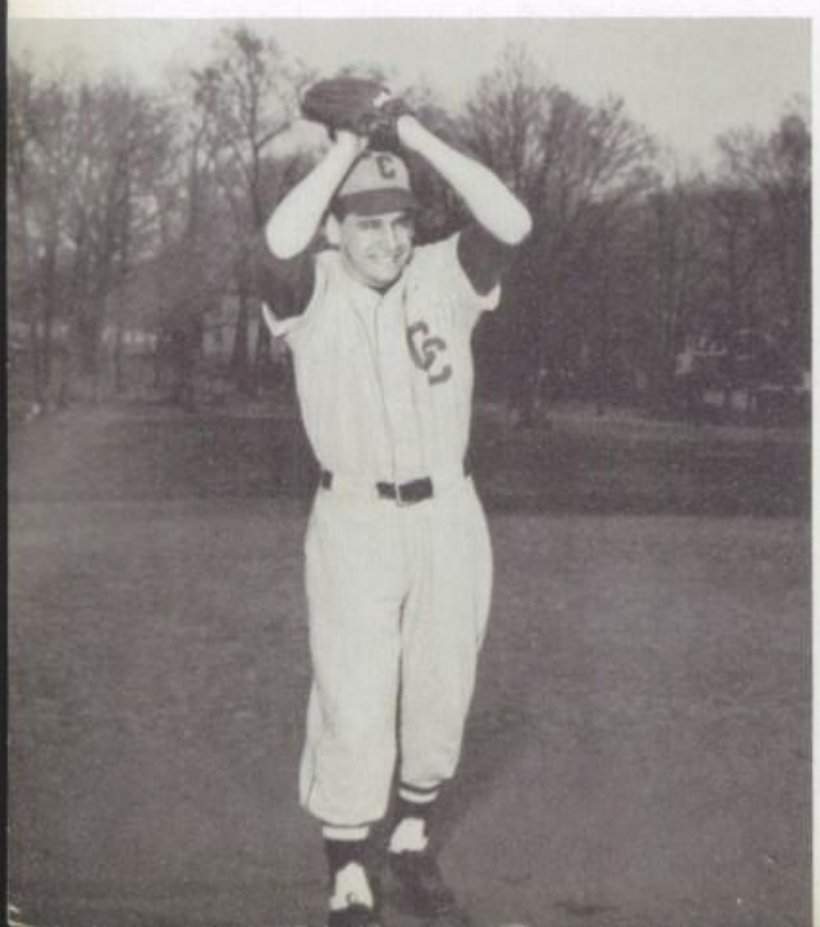
# Diamond Cutters

The last week in March found the diamond at Pendora Park hustling with activity. Despite the lack of sunshine, which cut the Cardinal's practice season short, a well-balanced team was ready for the opening tilt.

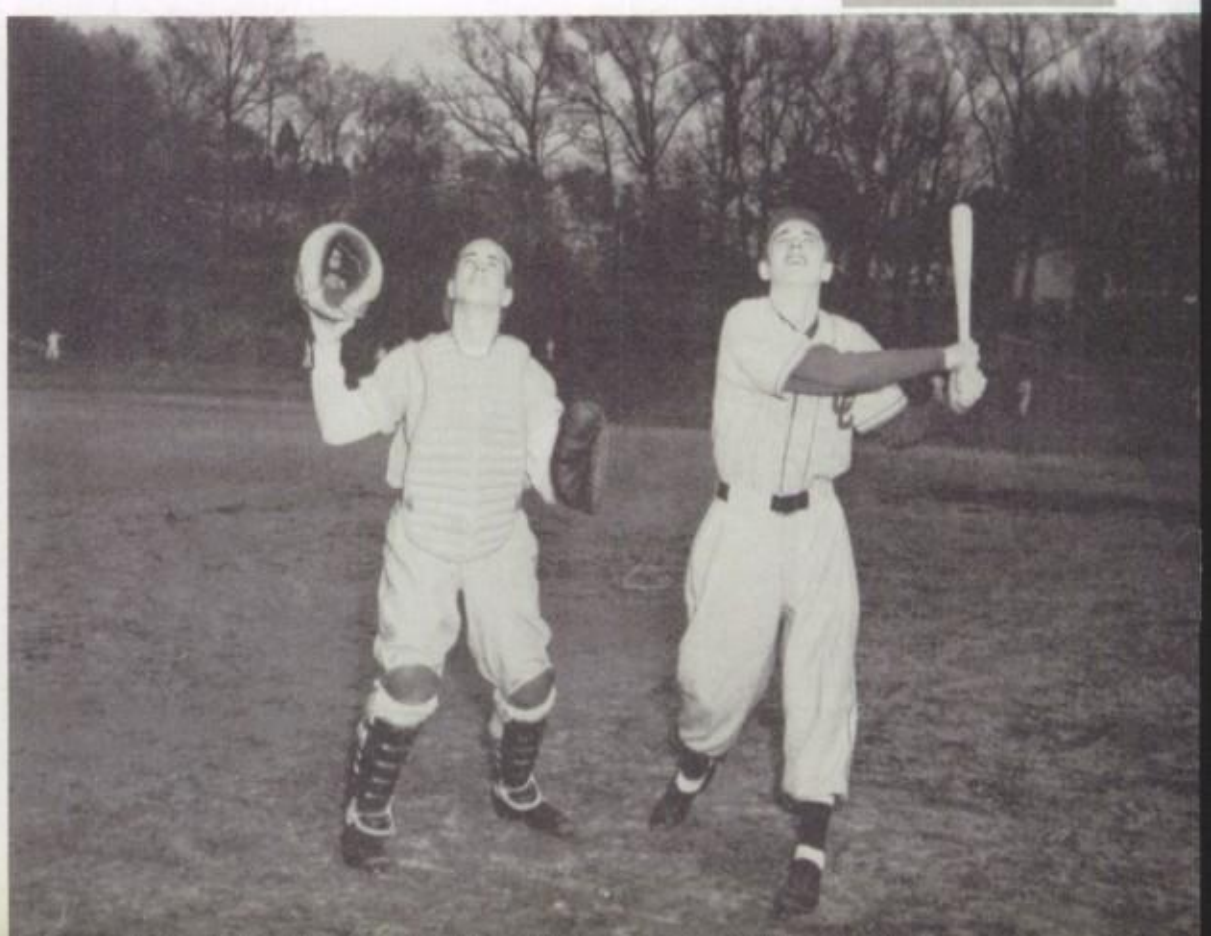
Sparked by five returning senior letter-men, Coach McLaughlin's nine looked forward to a successful campaign. A host of newcomers was on hand to fill the spikes of last year's graduates. Mother Nature was against the Redbirds as rain put a damper on the first two games.

Nevertheless the "Keystone Nine sparkled on the diamond, topping Perkiomen Prep in the season's opener. Eddie Jablonski's shut-out in this first game gave the team a good start, raising their hopes for a successful season.

Ed Jablonski sizes up the next batter and prepares to let go with a fast one.



S. Sauer eyes the horsehide sent into the blue by E. Senkowski.



While the team waits to take their positions on the diamond, G. Nein and P. Wandzilak demonstrate a pre-game warm-up.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

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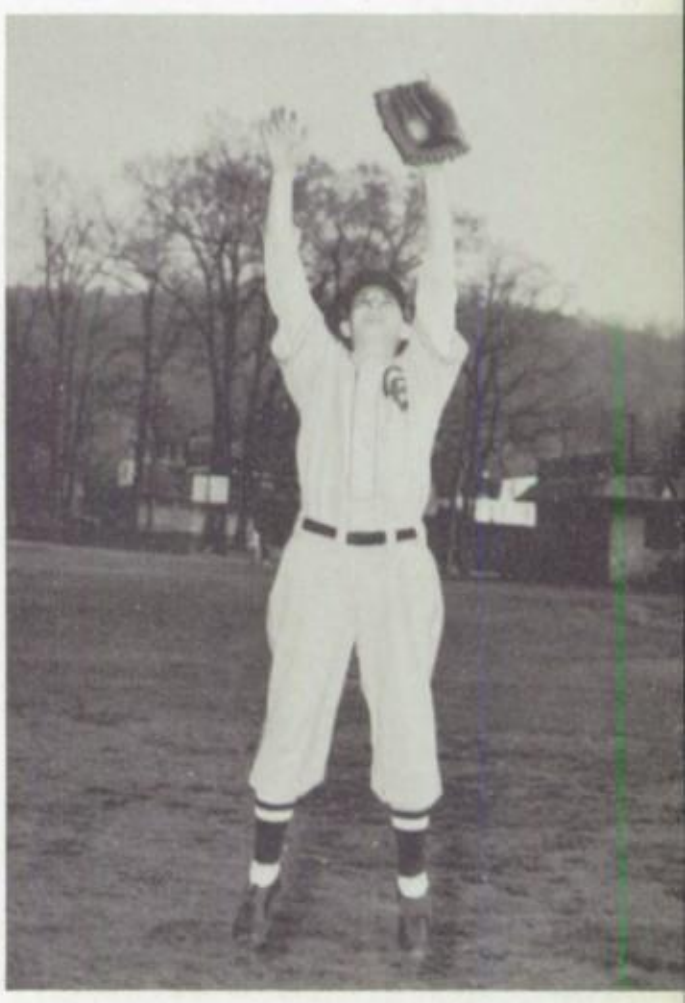
| April 13 | Allentown Central |
| April 16 | Valley Forge Millitary Academy* |
| April 23 | Perkiomen* |
| May 1 | Mt. Carmel* |
| May 8 | Mt. Carmel |
| May 15 | St. James |
| May 21 | Williamson Trade |
| May 22 | Archmere Academy* |
| May 28 | Perkiomen |
| June 4 | Williamson Trade |

* Away

Reaching for the sky, Mike Sosh snags the ball for the final out.



"Straight arm!" For the benefit of pitchers L. Steslow, R. Meyers, M. Ortzl, and P. Abeln, Coach McLaughlin shows Ed Jablonski the proper method of following through.

Like father, like son. Joe McLaughlin, Jr., rates a smile of approval from his dad, the coach.

# Within Your Walls

Bewildered, unsure, freshmen gaze wide-eyed at the neatly tagged and docketed intellectual investments. The relative merits of securities are weighed, balanced, and selected in the slowly revolving years as sophomore, junior, and senior. At last stocks and bonds are cashed. Want to assess the loot?

Every Centralite walks down Hill Road a multi-millionaire in the safe possession of a bedrock Catholic philosophy of life. Come rain, come flood, the house of his soul is secure. An even balance of literature, math, science, foreign languages, business subjects makes bookkeeping compartively simple.

Everyone's totally the same? Ah, No! See exam charts, pink slips, averages, quarterlies, honor cards. Concentration, hours of study, and dogged determination have a way of multiplying assets. Want to see the results?

# Hidden Treasures Lie

FRESHMAN 1—Front row: L. Bayus, E. Denunzio, M. A. Buzeleski, P. Crisafulli, C. DeHart, A. DelCollo, R. Distelhorst, R. Bennethum, M. Buckley, A. Calvaresi, J. Engle, A. Andreson. Second row: J. Best, T. Clay, F. Carabello, D. Delp, J. Christel, K. Braun, W. Cook, C. Arnold, T. Broskey, R. Deakin, D. Broskey. Third row: J. Boaman, M. Cagnetti, D. Bednarezyk, D. Chelius, T. Damiano, B. Elzer, M. Boldt, H. Dooley, M. Blanski, V. Elia, C. Didyoung. Fourth row: J. DelCollo, M. Ahrens, A. Calvaresi, J. Ciervo, E. Ambrose, G. Bennethum, R. Cmehil, C. Donaldson, R. Civita, J. Burnham, E. Endy, J. Cesarz.

# Freshmen

**Flower . . .**

Pink Rosebud

**Motto . . .**

"The secret of success is constancy of purpose."

**Colors . . .**

Blue and White

September 13 was D-Day on freshman calendars for many a week. But like trusty scouts they were prepared and, five homerooms strong, they invaded Central as the largest freshman class in history.

Deciphering rosters, stumbling into right classes at the wrong time, wrestling with Latin conjugations and algebraic equations, taking lunch two periods after breakfast, all contributed to the brand-new shiny year at Central.

Waiting for the down beat are J. Raab, P. Kostival, A. Flamm, M. Skarbonkiewicz, C. Garvie, and M. Schwegmann of the freshman Instrumental Music Class.

A rare treat for World History students D. Lineaweaver, C. Arnold, M. Buckley, D. Chelius, and A. LaManna is close observation of lavish Japanese tapestries.

FRESHMAN 2—Front row: M. Gmeiner, G. Fisher, P. Hartman, J. Essig, B. Gappa, M. Hannahoe, M. Fick, C. Janiszewski, S. Johnson, L. Gring, M. A. Gantert, J. Ertel, M. Enzmann. Second row: M. Ganster, W. Jones, L. Ganster, J. Hartgen, G. Jones, G. Hoefling, J. Henry, J. Tolland, B. Heere, D. Hassenbein, G. Gallagher, S. Franchi. Third row: C. Hershey, M. Finan, M. Guidara, M. Fordyce, M. Grynastyl, N. Hess, T. Jaraczewski, J. Huck, A. M. Gallacher, H. Fenyus, C. Garvie, A. Flamm, G. Garcelon. Fourth row: B. Hawk, E. Impink, M. Hracho, A. Evanno, D. Harrer, D. Guinther, T. Fleckenstein, J. Feist, B. Esser, H. Esterly, R. Gibilisco, B. Faust.

Freshman Day appeared in typical October colorama, only to set all Frosh a-jitter. But the hazing was in fun. Though wide-eyed and anxious most of the day, they managed to come through with flags waving, as Centralites usually do.

By the end of the month, girls had donned their uniforms and everyone was doubled over his books in an effort to win an "all-blue" report card at the first scholastic assembly. Many received honors.

Social life perked up after Mrs. Kitzmiller, freshman dancing teacher, put sluggish feet through their paces. Like all good things that end well, lessons in swing and sway came to an end with a Christmas party. Elimination, birthday, and spot dances made the evening sparkle. Friday night shindigs put the master's touch to fancy footwork. Next year we'll know all the answers—scholastic social, and spiritual, we hope.

It takes modern minds to create modern art. "Abstract, conventional, cubistic—." With nary a slip, gibberish slides off the tongues of freshmen artists C. Kane, B. Jones, M. Ortyl, M. Martin, S. Johnson, and C. Turnbull.

C. Matisjasich demonstrates the do's and don't's of telephone etiquette, while D. Harrer distributes further "info" to the Remedial Reading class.

Mutiny on the high C'sl E. Olazewski leads freshman Latin students in the singing of "Gaudeamus Igitur."

# Foreign Intrigue

Like all Gaul, the Mission Club was divided into three parts; the United States, Africa, and the Pacific. This division resulted from a plan to step up the effectiveness of the club in mailing rosaries, medicines, magazines, and stamps to the home and foreign missions.

Soon after he organized the club, President Charles Arnold dispatched ambassadors to the various homerooms to explain the work the group was doing for the padres' needy on the Gold Coast and in the Far East.

Truly Catholic, the student body responded immediately by pouring into the club's coffers the "wanted" articles for Accra, Tagbilaran, and Kasaoka.

FRESHMAN 3—Front row: E. Latze, M. Marzano, M. Kapistecki, C. Kane, C. Matijasich, M. Koch, M. Katrinak, M. Kelly, J. Litwin, P. Kostival, J. Klahre, L. Kroener, R. McLaughlin. Second row: D. Lineaweaver, T. McGlinn, J. Menet, W. Lucas, J. Marino, M. McQuillen, J. Menet, G. Miller, G. Meiran, R. Kelly, R. Kerber, J. Mancuso. Third row: A. LaManna, L. McDermott, C. Mayo, A. Lenich, J. Kollar, N. Lewalski, S. Konczewski, C. Matisjasich, M. McGoey, M. Martin, M. Kennedy, R. Migliore, P. Macek. Fourth row: J. Loder, D. Kudleck, E. Mazurkiewicz, D. Leinbach, L. Kiedeisch, B. Killinger, D. Klein, H. Margherita, T. Lenich, R. Maslar.

FRESHMAN 4—Front row: S. Miller, M. Reddington, P. O'Brien, E. Omelko, C. Noll, T. Nawrocki, B. Rutolo, T. Rauen, J. Purcell, R. Santoni. Second row: E. Nierle, A. Sallett, J. Nelabovige, J. Pfeifer, M. Reusing, M. Ortyl, J. Pouleson, L. Nave, P. Rotundo. Third row: M. Neary, J. Russo, J. Raab, S. Piotrowicz, F. Reber, J. Sayek, H. Pauluk, M. Noll, J. Rick. Fourth row: T. Neidert, R. Ruszkiewicz, E. Pieja, D. Murray, L. Salvatore, F. Minot, C. Natoli, B. Napiecek, C. Polyak.

# Beauty Is Truth

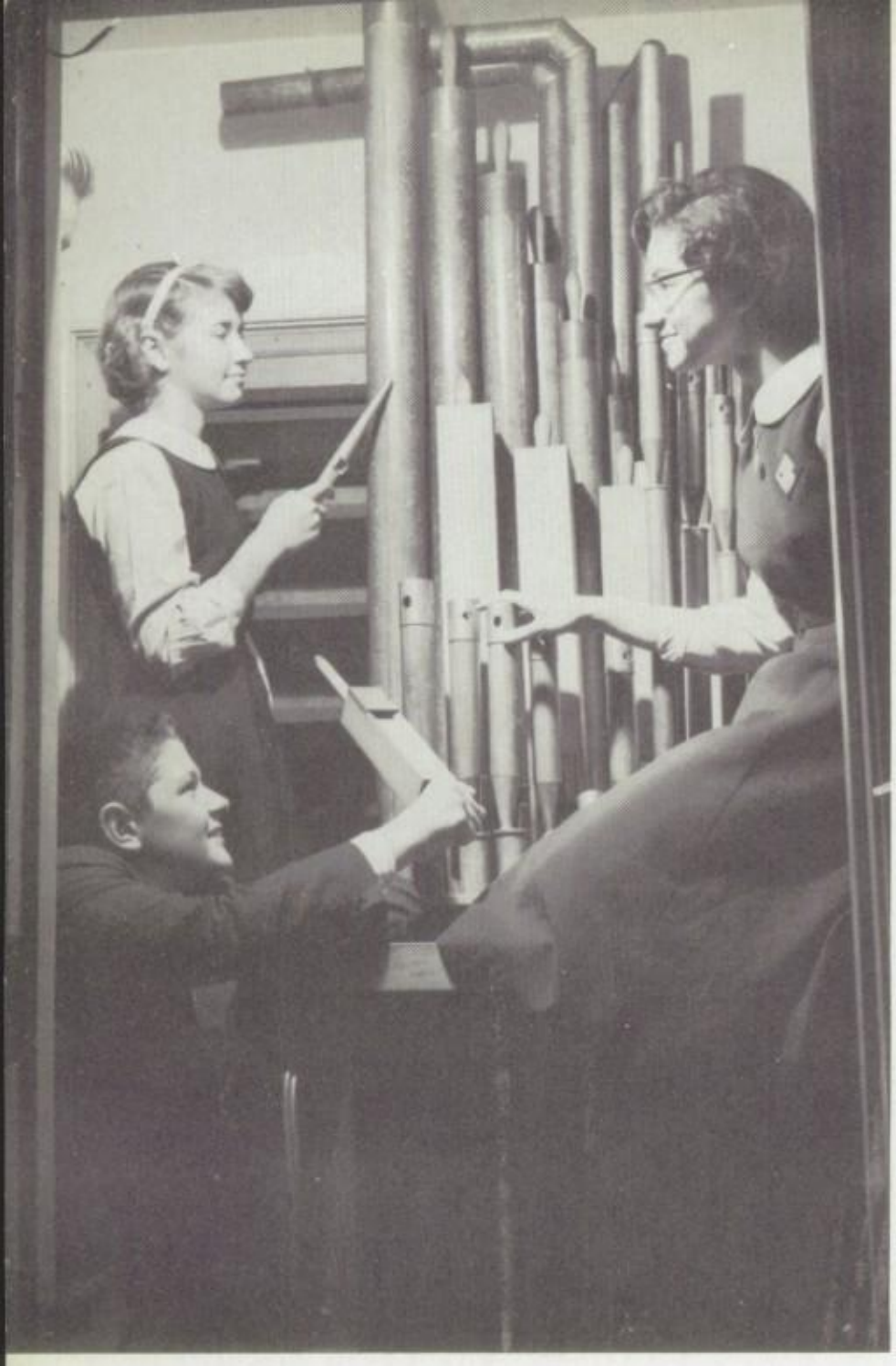
Tiny, pin-pointing lights pierce the deep gloom of a commercial world when freshman art students touch brushes to palettes. Realizing that cold commercial calculation smashes and grabs, they tried to combat its destruction by "making beauty."

Gothic printing, figurines, posters in modern art, discussions on great art and the masters help them to develop their God-given right to be makers.

Every student knows that art consists not only in painting, sculpture, poetry, and music, but in everything from cooking the dinner and ploughing the field to singing a lovely song and dancing a ballet.

He learns to make lovely things because the ways of making are modes of art, and are made to rejoice the hearts of men. Art is the extension of his personality and as such serves humanity and worships God.

Having a heart to heart talk with the Health Class is M. Kelly. J. Essig looks on with a glaring eye.



It's not every school that has an echo organ. Freshmen science students C. Hershey, D. Leinbach, and R. Santoni profit by testing the pipes for high and low tones.

# Printed Matter

Four spots in last February's literary edition of **Hillside Echoes** carried articles submitted by freshmen.

. . . Patricia Kostival made the point in her "Message to Garcia" that it is not booklearning young men need, nor instruction in this and that, but a stiffening of the vertebrae.

. . . Mary Hannahoe's poetic "Seasons" told how each month of the year has a character all its own.

. . . George Meiran bemoaned the fact in "Names I Dislike" that he never had a chance to voice his disapproval when someone or another dubbed him George Meiran.

. . . Patricia Kostival's "When You're Smiling Your Best" offered a recipe for making this world a happier place in which to live. The author suggested miles of smiles and faith in God and neighbor sprinkled with love, good will, and forgiveness.

FRESHMEN 5—Front row: M. Wann, J. Zack, M. Spanier, C. Verdone, H. Schlosser, J. Shunk, J. Winterhalter, V. Schuler, R. Schutte, F. Walley. Second row: A. Tokarski, T. Vallish, H. Zajac, A. Trexler, J. Walborn, R. Skrocki, D. Stumhofer, D. Seiders, A. Yoder. Third row: W. Wenrick, N. Zimmerman, M. Schwegman, P. Stetz, P. Zuwiala, J. Yahner, M. A. Spahn, M. Skarbonkiewicz, L. Schnepf, C. Turnbull. Top row: C. Walter, F. Stolz, V. Serafino, C. Spatz, D. Speece, W. Weber, T. Trexler, T. Twardowski.

Freshmen come from the following parishes:

**Birdsboro**
Immaculate Conception

**Hamburg**
St. Mary

**Hyde Park**
Holy Guardian Angels

**Kutztown**
St. Mary

**Millmont**
St. Anthony

**Mount Penn**
St. Catharine of Siena

**Phoenixville**
Holy Trinity

**Pottstown**
St. Peter

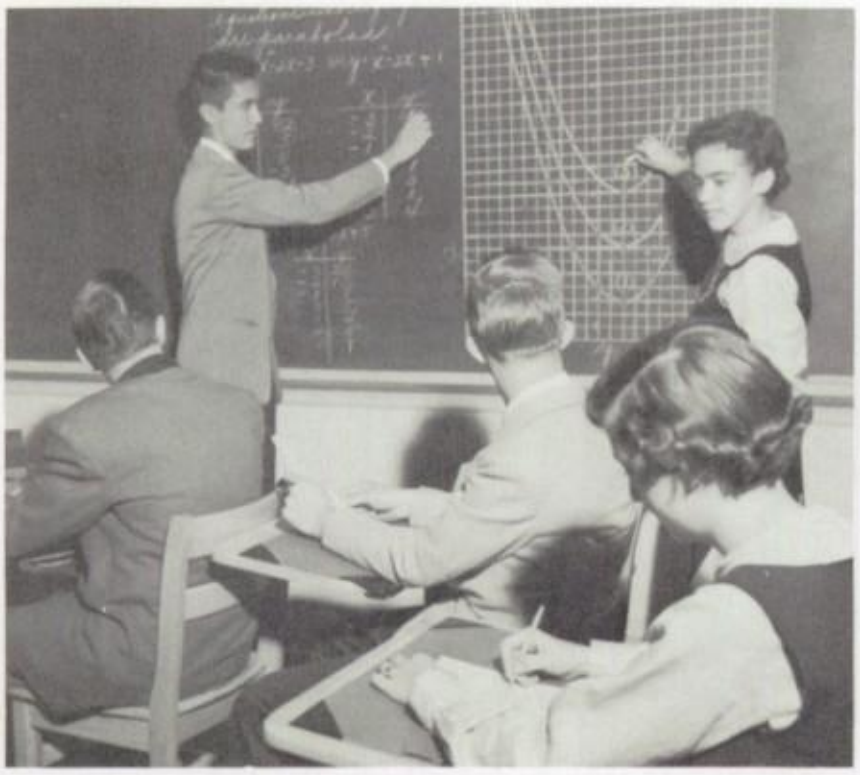
**Reading**
Holy Rosary
SS. Cyril and Methodius
St. Joseph
St. Margaret
St. Mary
St. Paul
St. Peter

**Shillington**
St. Benedict
St. John Baptist de LaSalle

**West Reading**
Sacred Heart

Leafing through the gratifying results of their hard work on a "Life of Christ" project are Religion students B. Rutolo, D. Harrer, and M. Martin.

"One, two, three! Point your fingers and touch your toes!" S. Johnson, E. Latze, L. Gring, J. Klahre, C. Maryniak, M. Grynastyl, S. Konczewski, J. Kollar, M. E. McGoey, keep in shape by following Miss Illuzzi's instructions.



M. O'Pake and J. Norman work in partnership solving quadratic equations whose graphs are parabolas. Working on graph paper are J. Niedrowski, M. Saloka, and A. Sayek.

Exploring the intricate parts of a Pontiac, sophomores J. Koslosky, P. Loeper, and C. De Angelis, discover how a motor ticks.

# Sophomores

Brr-rump! Brr-rump! Brr-rump! It was the sophomores that took the brunt of drilling noise when workmen tore down the house between the lab and Rooms 103 and 203 last spring. They shivered and shook as the floors trembled beneath them but managed to retain the facts they had learned about carburetors, fungi, and Shakespeare.

James Hudson and Michael O'Pake, first sophomores in many years to speak over the PAS, broke into the news during the Vocation Month, when they discussed the requirements for entrance into the Brotherhood.

The two boys were also active in presenting to their English class a skit entitled "The Best Policy" on February 18. James Hudson directed the one-act play while Carol Gatski, Carol Finn and Michael O'Pake had the lead roles.

Though the sophomores did their share in extra curricular activities—athletics, journalism, cheerleading, and music—they managed withal to carry away more honor cards than any other class.

SOPHOMORE 1—Front row: M. Chelius, S. Arnold, M. Borst, J. Brady, B. Caesar, E. Bodak, P. DePaul, L. Biagianti, J. Detterline, P. Baque, M. Devlin, B. Delp. Second row: R. DeSantis, R. Casani, R. Cusma, J. Dobrosky, J. Domsicz, J. Brenner, J. Dolan, J. Braun, A. Carabello, J. Elia. Third row: E. Babb, E. Devine, M. Dinatally, M. Buckley, J. Bright, M. Butzer, J. Endler, B. Drexler, J. Burkart, T. Blaszczynski, S. Bennett, M. Anderson, S. Burkhart. Fourth row: M. Adams, M. Borst, M. Daly, J. Cooney, J. Burkart, P. Abeln, C. Borelli, C. De Angelis, R. Donohue, M. Baczewska, J. Chrismer.

Noting George Washington's birthday, English students M. O'Pake, M. Mountcastle, C. Finn, and J. Hudson present the playlet, "The Best Policy."

Student biologists M. Prendergast and J. Mulligan discuss the genus and species of inhabitants of the animal kingdom.

# Doodling Magic

Sophomores scribbled a bit and presto!—there were eight glorious articles for **Hillside Echoes.**

. . . Miriam Kissinger painted a portrait of the successful failure in "Some Call It Success."

. . . Elizabeth Kawecki slips into the oblivion of sleep in "Fog Magic."

. . . James Mulligan roared through Reading with Hurricane Hazel in "She Came and Went."

. . . Sylvia Swoboda in "Serenity" described the peace and calm of evening.

. . . Michael O'Pake made war on the whole mosquito race in "Surprise Attack."

. . . Michael Saloka's hair stood on end at the fun house in "Adventure into the Unknown."

. . . Stanley Kulchinsky reveled in skiey housekeeping in "Moon's Laundress."

. . . Joanne Manzolillo's "Saya Safety" gives ways and means of preventing accidents.

SOPHOMORE 2—Front row: M. Grant, G. Faust, J. Holland, K. Katrinak, A. Heizmann, M. Feichtner, P. Essig, C. Finn, B. Eyrich, C. Gatski, E. Kawecki, J. Heine. Second row: T. Fabian, M. Killinger, C. Homan, J. Flemming, R. Gensemer, J. Jaraczewski, J. Harris, J. Hudson, J. Flannery, G. Hoffman. Third row: M. Gross, A. Gross, M. Gray, R. Katzenmoyer, M. Kissinger, S. Flemming, M. Guzzetti, J. Klemich, G. Evanno, D. Kerber, J. Fonte, B. Grube. Fourth row: J. Heckman, N. Guthier, B. Karli, F. Henrich, J. Fritz, C. Homan, E. Jastrzebski, R. Geiger, B. Hannahoe.

SOPHOMORE 3—Front row: T. Lis, W. Koslowski, J. Lyons, R. Kogut. Second row: J. Milshaw, J. Koprowski, J. Norman, C. Morrow, M. Mamrak, K. Moore, K. Miller, L. Millek, L. Neiman, M. Milco, M. Lindinger, J. Nemeth, M. LaFata, J. Manzolillo. Third row: P. McCauley, T. Madara, P. Loeper, J. Malriat, K. Lush, R. Melcher, J. McLaughlin, M. O'Pake, J. Motkowski, J. Koslosky, P. Nave, J. Mulligan. Fourth row: G. Nowotarski, J. Murphy, M. O'Brien, M. Mountcastle, M. Morris, S. Mayo, M. O'Brien, M. Nawa, M. Koons, M. Martel, M. Miller, I. Kowalski. Fifth row: R. Liptak, V. Naso, R. Meyers, C. Krajewski, J. Niedrowski, R. Marasco, J. Linette, J. Nierle, S. Kulchinsky, J. Mazei.

# Then There Was Home Work

Bubbling over the rim of enthusiasm, sophomore home economic students set to work to give the Betty Crocker "National Homemaker of Tomorrow" something to worry about. They delved into color harmony, studied the proper care of clothes. and analyzed their own personalities.

Films brought the principles of good housekeeping closer to home. "The Light Touch" demonstrated the correct way to press the new fabrics made from acetate fibers. Portrayed in "Heads Up for Beauty" were various hair-do's that gave drab personalities the plus factor.

The girls also became enmeshed in single crochet, double crochet, and chain stitch, but they came out of the knots with a perfect pot-holder apiece. Hand-sewn aprons were on the agenda too.

Indian lore, Eskimo legends, and fairy tales inspired sophomore art students to construct model wigwams, igloos, and peppermint palaces. Pictured are: J. Manzolillo, P. DePaul, J. Linette, M. Killinger, S. Swoboda, J. Endler.

**Flower . . .**
Crimson Glory
**Motto . . .**
"We are what we make ourselves."
**Colors . . .**
Red and White

In the last stages of preparation for a U. S. History project R. Slabik, J. Endler, and K. Katrinak examine dated weapons. G. Schlachter explains how obsolete they are, compared with our latest nuclear fission missiles.

# Little Lambs Astray

Individual and group guidance for the sophomores is as vital to them as to a traveler who stands at a crossroad trying to decide which road to take—college, business, art, home economics, nursing, teaching, or a life dedicated to Christ.

At this point they must decide between the academic or commercial courses. Furthermore hidden talents, undeveloped personalities, faulty habits, and wrong attitudes toward self, society, and responsibility must be brought to fruition.

For this reason the two guidance counselors, Father Bednarik for the boys and Sister Casimir for the girls, open their offices on the second and third floors to anyone who wishes to discuss his problems. Special private conferences are given twice a year. Homeroom advisers and Religion teachers also help students to solve their difficulties.

SOPHOMORE 4—**Front Row:** C. Schmidt, M. Prendergast, N. Santispirt, A. Schaetzle, L. Schwartz, M. Powers, C. Pennypacker, J. Smith, P. Wentzel, V. Voelker, M. Torchia, E. Zettlemoyer, R. Seyfert, M. Putz. **Second Row:** V. Zampella, M. Zimmerman, L. Raab, C. Tasco, J. Swienckowski, P. Slegelmilch, A. Rush, T. Zatratz, W. Roth, H. Snyder, D. Piotrowicz, G. Young, H. Uliasz. **Third Row:** A. Pawlewicz, J. Yike, N. Oswald, G. Setley, B. Sychterz, S. Steslow, S. Swobioda, J. Schmeider, L. Twardowski, A. Savek, P. Pennypacker, R. Stralo, K. Zettlemoyer, A. Rauen, R. Roth. **Fourth Row:** R. Slabik, A. Smith, D. Wisniewski, G. Prentice, M. Saloka, P. Wandzilak, T. Weaver, G. Schlachter, P. Raetsch, G. Schindlbeck, C. Wirth, J. Wojciechowski, S. Slimmer, P. Palm, G. Walker.

JUNIOR 1—**Front Row:** J. Carr, M. Cleary, J. Bauer, R. Borelli, T. Borst, G. Bielski, B. Cianciosi, M. Coleman. **Second Row:** S. Bonk, J. Auchter, J. Conway, R. Boone, M. Boland, D. Adams, R. Auchter. **Third Row:** M. Bauer, A. Collins, J. Beard, B. Baque, B. Bukowski, S. Clark, P. Boyer, B. Bettler. **Fourth Row:** R. Corrigan, J. Conrad, J. Arentz, R. Billman, K. Cook, A. Arnold.

# Juniors

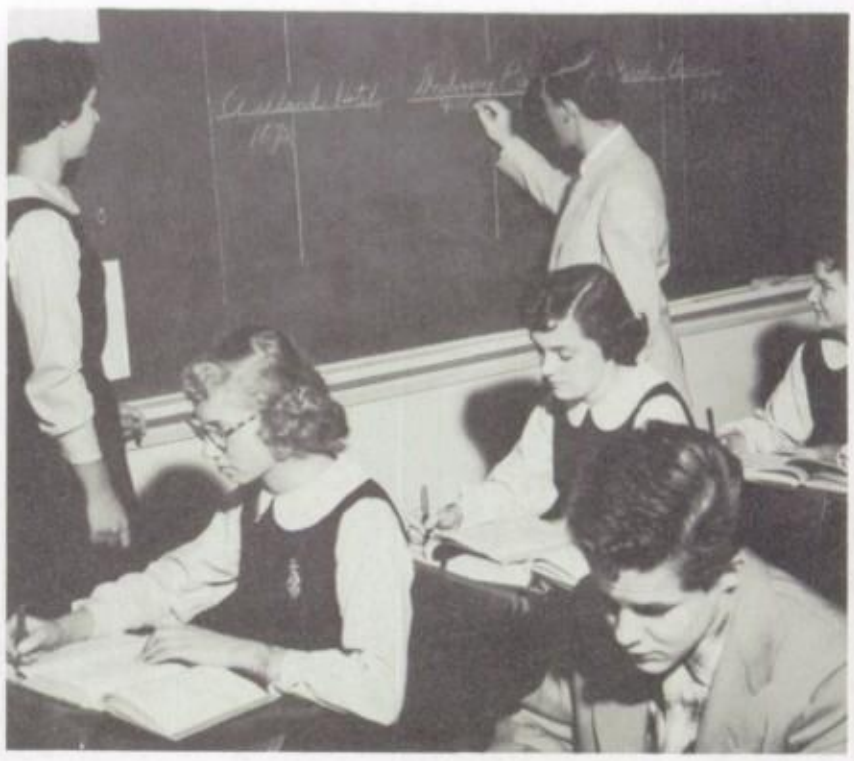
Juniors found themselves in possession of two senior homerooms when they returned to school in September. A second floor porch made it easier for Junior 1 to wash the windows, and the bustle of the **Centralma** office attached to Room 22 provided welcome distraction to Junior 2.

Upstairs and downstairs, Juniors voted on December 14 for prom co-chairmen, made committee preparations, and on January 22 thrilled to the wonderful night itself. In the meantime they forgot all woes and past pleasures when the class rings arrived, sapphire, ruby, and onyx-stoned, on Tuesday, December 21.

Finally, May with the election of their own "Big Five", the sale of chances for the seniors' graduation breakfast, and the designing of their own class hat.

Discussing bib business with B. Baque and B. Bettler are J. Herb and T. Borst.

To balance the books is an important job. F. Kirlik and D. Ganter demonstrate the "how" and "by what means" to bookkeepers R. Sockel, B. Baque, K. Meiran, and M. Pfrommer.



JUNIOR 2—**Front Row:** M. Drexler, J. Gattone, G. Galczynski, M. Fosnocht, P. Dutton, B. High, R. Ferrara, J. Eisenhuth, C. Henry, N. Hartman, P. Derby. **Second Row:** A. Detri, R. Evans, J. Gyomber, A. Furst, G. Heere, J. Gdowik, J. Costello, E. Hracho, E. Frank. **Third Row:** C. Dengler, A. Hofman, J. Golembieski, J. Herb, M. Horrigan, E. Henry, J. Giniewski, M. Hoffman, F. Horodynski, A. DelCollo, M. Feist, M. DeHart. **Fourth Row:** G. Horahan, D. Ganter, J. Deissler, R. Gattone, G. Hull, P. Guldin, R. House, R. Delp, T. Dancy.

# Comin' through the Rye

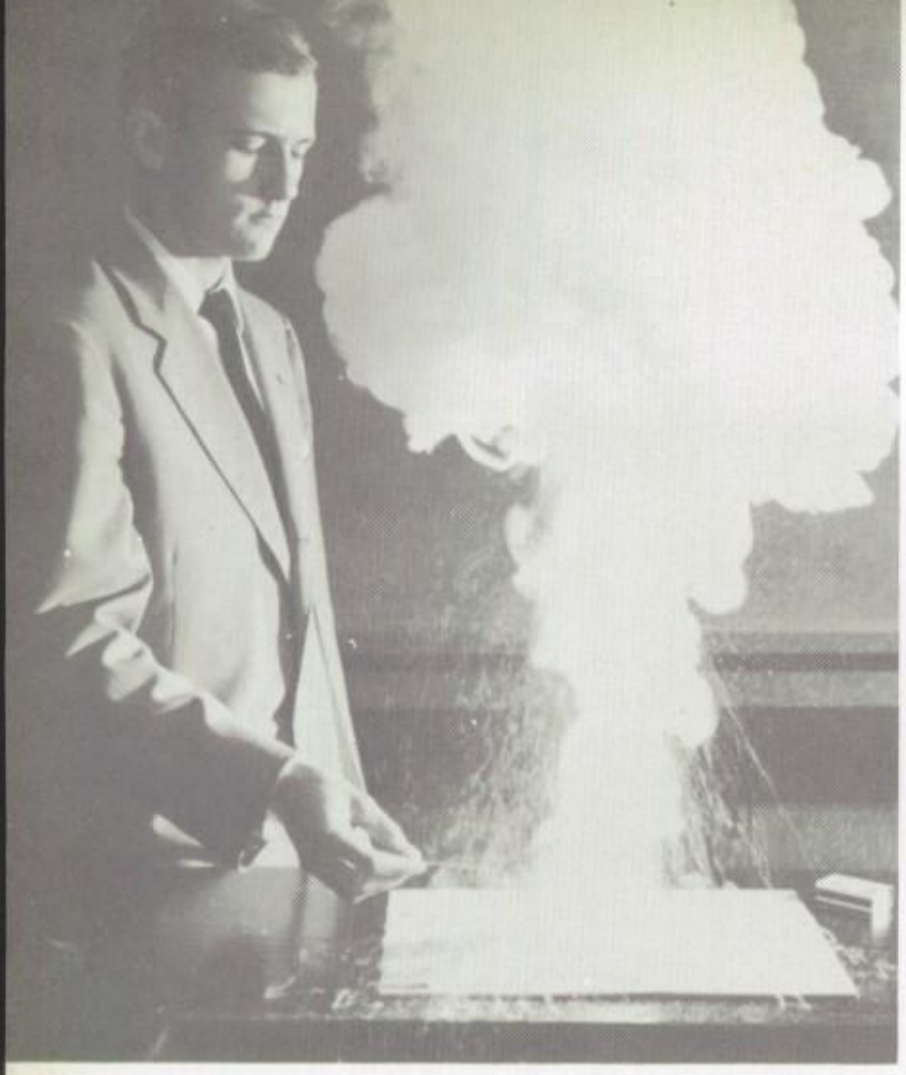
To make the year different, third years merely sniffed at the doggie roasts of other years and resolved never to go nigh Egelman's again. Instead, fellows and girls met at City Park and drove out to Five Points to Spangler's big barn.

Games, spot and elimination dances, and the Mexican Hat Dance highlighted the Dungaree Hop. With comic ceremony back scratchers and clothes hangers were presented to the lucky winners of the evening. Nostalgia comes back everytime they think of the grand finale around the outdoor fireplace, the song fest with bites of hot dog and sips of soda in between.

Juniors remember with special feeling the chaperons Father Forst, Father Schulte, Miss Illuzzi, Mr. and Mrs. J. Spangler.

Costumed in the traditional Tyrolean garb, German students wax **lustig** on the south porch of the Luden mansion. D. Soderlund and B. Plank watch C. Pentz twirl M. A. Hoffman to the wheeze of J. Spangler's accordion.

M. DeHart, A. Krauss, and R. Kretzman discuss geographic conditions favoring the extension of Red Rule.



In an attempt to blow up the chemistry lab, D. Soderlund nonchalantly puts to the test a zinc sulphide bomb.

**Flower . . .**
New Hybrid Tea Rose
**Motto . . .**
"Never rest till you've done your best."
**Colors . . .**
Gold and White

# Making the Rounds

On Wednesday, October 13, the Junior Chemists' Club of Reading held their first meeting of the year at Albright College Science Hall. Central's eighty members elected David Soderlund as chairman of their group. Dr. Freeman of the Althouse Chemical Company lectured on "Color, Chemistry, and Civilization" at this time. He presented the history of dyes and performed experiments on such dyes as indigo.

Program for the Junior Chemists' Club included tours, on the second Wednesday of each month, to large industries of Reading and the vicinity. The Third Annual Reading Science Fair, held at the Abraham Lincoln Ballroom on April 22, was also a project of the Club.

JUNIOR 3—**Front Row:** J. Kosnik, R. Kasprzak, L. Lachina, K. Lesher, V. Kerber, C. Lis, A. Pezik, A. M. Martin, M. McGee, J. Janiszewski, J. Janiszewski, P. Miller. **Second Row:** J. Meshinsky, C. Pentz, G. Nein, F. Lenich, W. Kuhns, T. Lewalski, W. Mayan, R. Kretzman, L. Marrella, J. Leonardo. **Third Row:** M. A. Lenich, K. Meiran, R. Pauluk, F. Kirlik, G. Knight, M. Niholas, M. A. Murphy, V. Kelly, G. Kompa, E. Katona, L. Lapi. **Fourth Row:** J. Krezdorn, S. Morawski, T. Mazza, G. Loeper, G. Karabinos, P. Kaminski, W. Kelly, A. Marulla, A. Krauss.

Tours on the Chemists' Club program included:

American Chain and Cable Company
Container Corporation
Maier's Sunbeam Bakery
Infant Socks, Inc.
Reading Hospital

E. Hracho paints the town white to determine the locus of points between two parallel curbs. Flagbearer A. Arnold, paint-bucket bearer R. Sagnella, and notebook bearer L. Marrella help to solve the problem for geometry class.

# Off the Reel

In striking full-color animation Dr. Atom took the chemistry classes through "Element town" to explain the atomic structure of the 92 basic elements. The film "A is for Atom" further explained nuclear fission and the means of controlling energy to a peacetime world.

The science of Silicones also came in for special study. In an entertaining non-technical manner "Silicones" told the story of an entirely new field of chemistry, how silicones are being applied in home and industry, and how advancement in production and living standards through the use of these compounds are constantly being discovered.

JUNIOR 4—**Front Row:** F. Romanic, E. Seaman, J. Wummer, B. Plank, E. Poster, J. Waldman, A. Pfeifer, R. Velkovitch, A. Yocum, R. Perrotto, C. Zielinski, J. Ulrich. **Second Row:** J. Spangler, F. Wolf, R. Salinger, M. Stefanik, E. Roskowski, D. Wambach, T. Tucker, D. Soderlund, R. Sagnella, R. Young. **Third Row:** R. Schaaf, C. Trout, D. Troilo, A. Stengel, B. Wisniewski, S. Styer, A. Wewer, M. Pfrommer, R. Zielinski, C. Rhode, J. Purcell, R. Rick. **Fourth Row:** T. Prendergast, G. Seiders, D. Wolfe, W. Tokarski, R. Sockel, J. Post, A. Speece, J. Sockel, E. Salvatore, S. Sauer.

Office machines get a daily workout. M. Koren takes a letter on the dictaphone and T. Eagen sets her fingers flying on a calculator, while C. Popp and M. Seyfert set a stencil for a guidance bulletin.

**Flower . . .**
American Beauty Rose
**Motto . . .**
"The path of honor lies open to all."
**Colors . . .**
Green and White

# Seniors

Like Gaul we were divided into three parts. Overcrowded conditions forced the usual four-divisioned seniors into three homerooms, fifty and more to a room, but each upperclassman with enough space to think, turn around, pack his books, and rest his feet. The three-bell dismissal relieved congestion in locker rooms, where the boys bent four times a day to—the **bottom** locker!

And then on through the year we experienced all the wonderful things that seniors of previous years had told us about—the patron drive for the yearbook, the work and worry of the college entrance exams, the excitement that comes with the aptitude tests and, with it all, the good times. Of special note were the Friday night dances with their extra splash of holiday decoration.

Draftsmen J. Wierzbicki, G. Smith, R. Holland, T. Impink, C. Feicht, R. Tessier, and J. Swiezak huddle together to test their skill at reading blueprints.

Plying books, instruments, and charts, Seniors grind through a study of weights and measures.

# Daring Dior

Chagrin broke out like the measles when, come January 3, no member of the male species was allowed to come to class without a dress shirt and tie—sleeves to the wrists and tie to the Adam's apple.

The girls had dress troubles, too, when black satin blouses refused to look their prettiest on the senior class pix. Troopina to Loring's for a double-take, the gals found a more youthful sport jacket and white scarf to replace the more sophisticated black.

Two sizes of class hats, usually referred to as "too big" or "too small", were bigger and smaller than last year's but under their shadow we did manage to see the Reading Fair for ten cents. Never again for ten coppers!

How's this for a shot in the arm? G. Civita demonstrates hypodermic technique on M. Rochtashel. Two hundred students prostrated for a shot of GG the next day.

Dr. Ralph Mulligan, in charge of the Preprofessional Course, and thirty-two other doctors and nurses on the St. Joseph Hospital Staff lectured to seniors on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

"Lady of Spain, I adore you," twangs C. O'Brien on his tablet. S. Kane plays it up with a shawl.

**Son** or **moi?** A French crossword puzzle challenges B. McKeone and C. Kushmore to better their **francais vocabulaire.**

# Rat-a-tat-tat

"Body by Fischer" has nothing on "Lamp' by Mascirelli" or "Shoebox by Sabatucci." Why should one mean more than the other when self-expression is the thing these days.

As early as 8:45 Larry Kerber had opened the windows and the Arts and Crafts boys were hard at work, sawing, hammering, drilling, painting. There were bird houses and flower boxes for nature lovers, napkin holders, cookie containers, shoe boxes, lamps, and magazine racks for the more domestic minded, and specially-designed model cars and planes, rocking chair sewing kits and Swiss bell towers.

While the boys worked against a backdrop of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs", academic students daubed upstairs. A new mural for each season of the year, bulletin board displays for the homerooms, poster contests, work in plaster of Paris and papermache helped to release their artistic talent.

With the coming of spring wrens found improved housing conditions on Central's campus. J. Sabatucci and E. Senkowski are the craftsmen. Lamp by Kruszewski and Mascirelli.

To test their accuracy and speed P. Killinger and B. Esser race B. Slowik's stop-watch.

Applied Math boys investigate a big wheel. With the radius found by J. Bilger and J. Didyoung, L. Kerber calculates the circumference.

# Words from the Wise

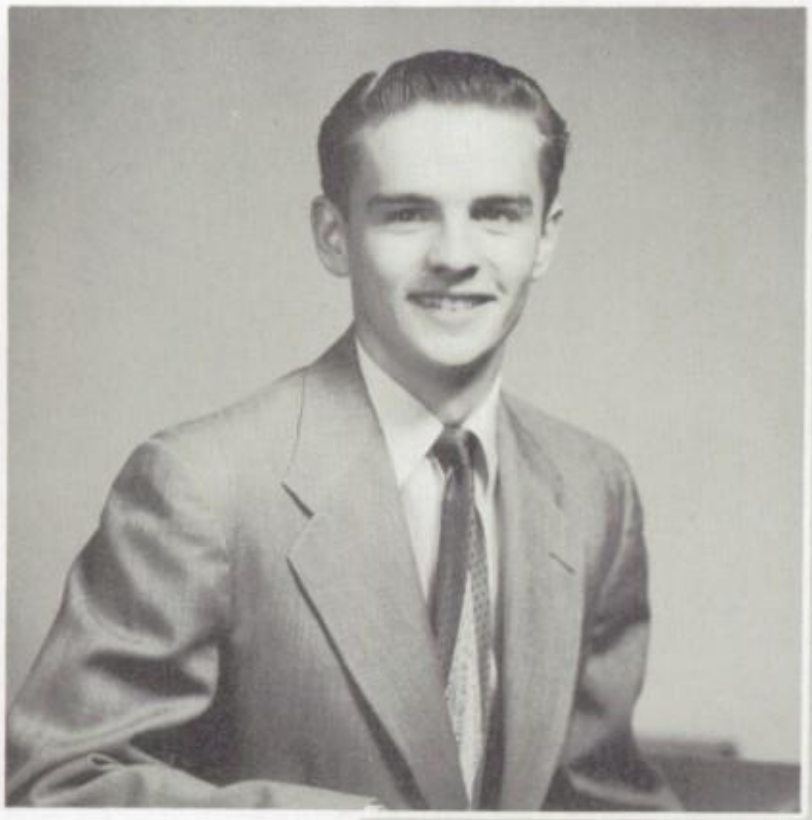
Forensics had been on Central's mind for a long time. So Father Schulte formed a debate club, called it the "Forensic Union", and became its moderator. He mustered twelve boys who practiced on Wednesdays and wrote and revised speeches on the other days.

With four weeks of preparation three of the boys, and one girl, traveled to Philadelphia to make their initial appearance in the Marian Oratorical Contest. In competition with 55 students from 12 other schools they captured four prizes. Elizabeth Kozlay, who had been taken along for good luck, won the trophy. John Christel, Ronald Sagnella, and Frank Swienckowski placed third, fourth, and eighth respectively. Other members of the debating club were Seniors B. Ambrose, M. Conlon, B. Melcher, R. Winters, and Juniors J. Arentz, A. Arnold, M. Boland, R. Boone, T. Fabian.

Four days after the event in Philadelphia, in the Democracy Contest sponsored by the Berks County Jaycees, Elizabeth won a $1,000 scholarship to Seton Hill College, Greenburg, Pennsylvania.

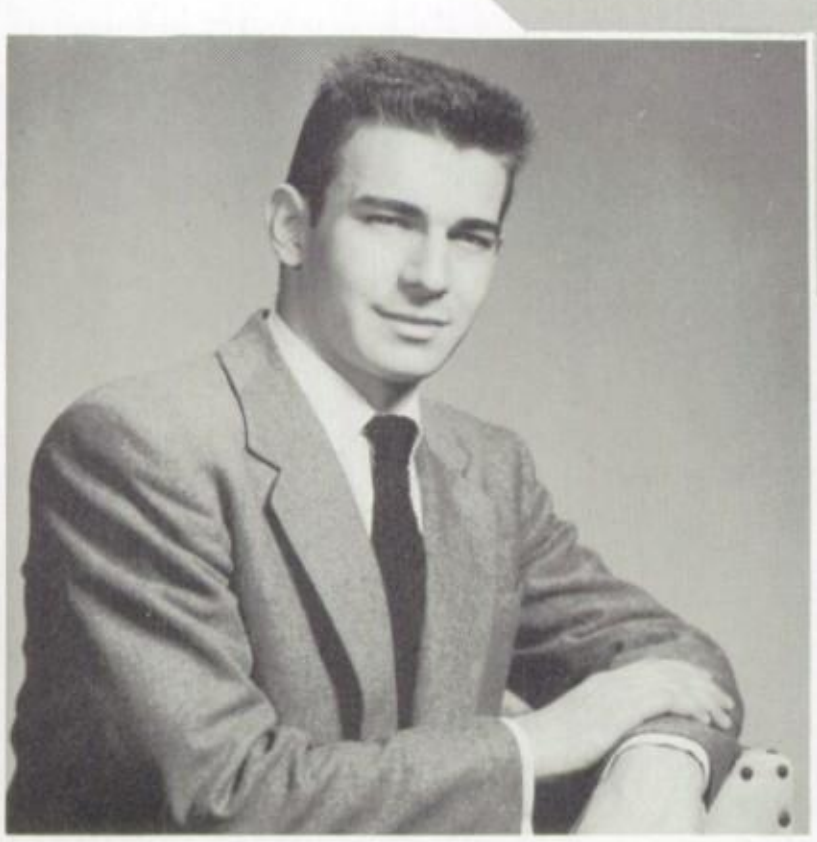
During a panel discussion literary critics D. Hohl, G. Flemming, E. Oudinot, G. Sallett, and V. Zimmerman pry into the works and private life of Lord Byron.

# Centralma Award



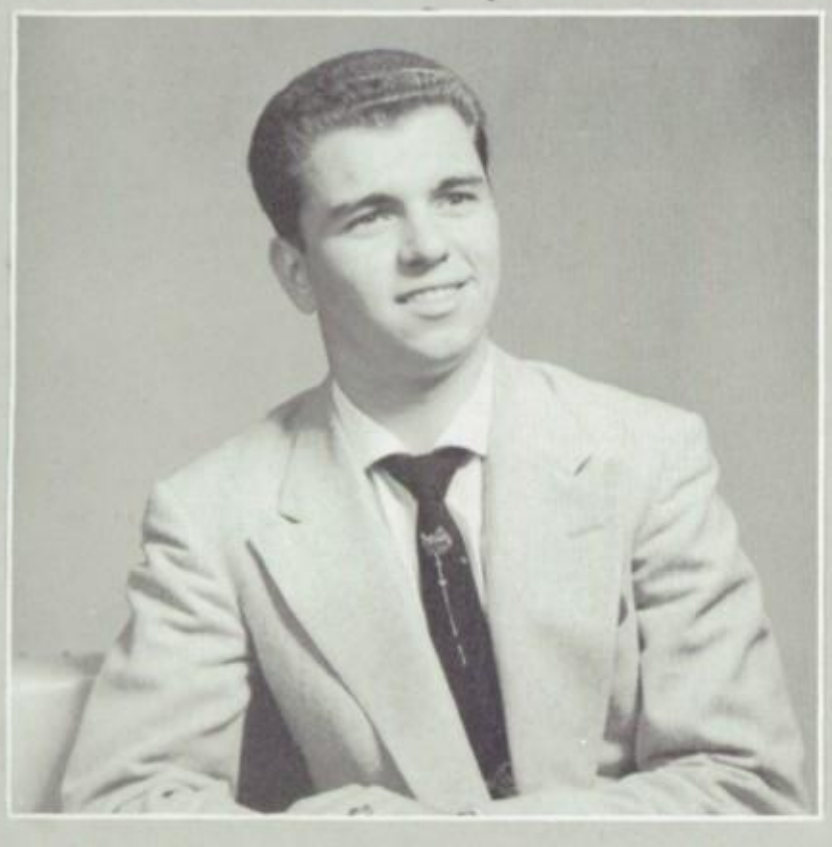
Top trumpet in the band, student band director, crack infielder, representative, member of the Student Council and chief cropper on the Centralma staff catalogue our ED SENKOWSKI as a remarkable personality. Through this colorama of activity Ed remained quietly poised and meticulously groomed. His wit and gentle friendliness drew him to the hearts of his fellow Centralites.

Editor-in-chief of **Hillside Echoes,** NANCY LOUGHNEY tucked the paper in at five o'clock and pulled out for Pottstown in her blue Chevy. Journalist to the finger tips, Nancy had a remarkable yen for democratic supervision. She approved with a quiet smile, censored with infinite respect for her staffers' feelings, and let the honor fall where it would. With it all, Nancy managed to pocket sixteen honor cards.



BENJAMIN AMBROSE was a Latin scholar with a variety of other interests. Shy but always the perfect gentleman, he performed his duties as Recording Secretary of the Student Council with an air of responsibility. Always a Central man to the core, Ben managed the business end of **Hillside Echoes** and rounded out his program with football, track, and basketball managing.

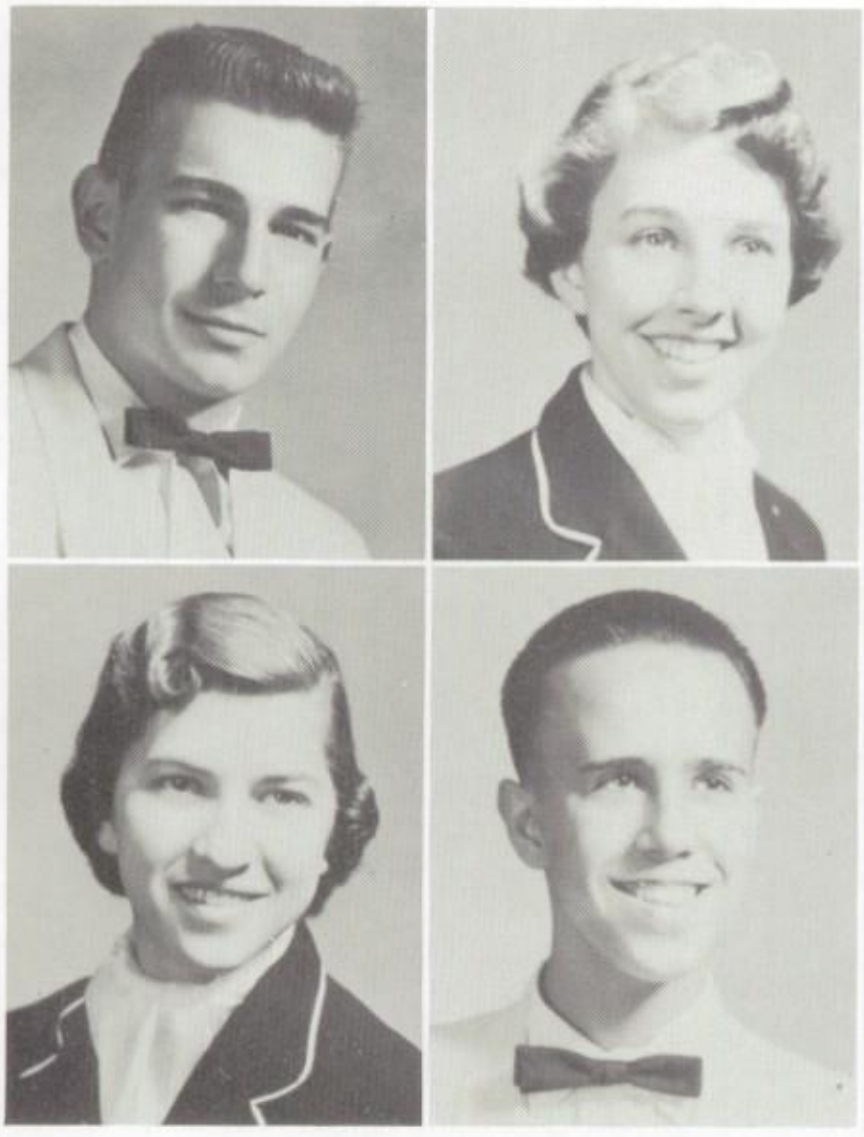
Music is VALERIE ZIMMERMAN'S first love. Before and after school hours Val haunted the band room where she kept the library in order, sang with the Bel-Tones, rehearsed with the orchestra, and maneuvered as drum major. Her whirlwind program included the Reading Philharmonic Orchestra. From 4 P. M. until somewhere in the late hours Valerie typed and wrote copy for the yearbook. But extra-curricular activities kept out of her report cards where the marks ranged from 95 to 99.



CHARLES HAAGE'S ability to organize, to make clear-cut decisions, and to chase the blues away made him editor-in-chief of CENTRALMA. A sure-fire leader Charles was a member of the Student Association for three years and chairman of the Junior Prom. Elected to be king of the Junior Prom, he displayed as much charm as any young monarch. A hard working student Chas came out near the top. For diversion he sang with the boy's chorus and rooted wildly at the games.

A quiet exterior belied the active program HELEN STUMHOFER set herself at Central. Her triple duty as proofreader, photography editor, and contact man on the Centralma staff marked Helen as the most valuable member of the year. Precision, dependability and mastery of difficult situations placed her among the cream scholastically.

The yearbook staff presents the CENTRALMA AWARD to these seniors for outstanding cooperation and devotion to the scholastic and extracurricular program at Central.



P. BENJAMIN AMBROSE

415 Columbia Street — St. Margaret Parish

Student Association: Council Member 3, Recording Secretary 4. Honor Student: 4. Publication: **Hillside Echoes** 3-4. Debate Club: 4. Athletics: Varsity Football 2, Track 1-2-3-4, Basketball Manager 2-3.

JANICE R. ANDERSON

Fleetwood, R. D. No. 2 — St. Mary Parish, Evansville

Music: Band 2-3-4, Chorus 3-4.

KATHARINE R. ASCHENBRENNER

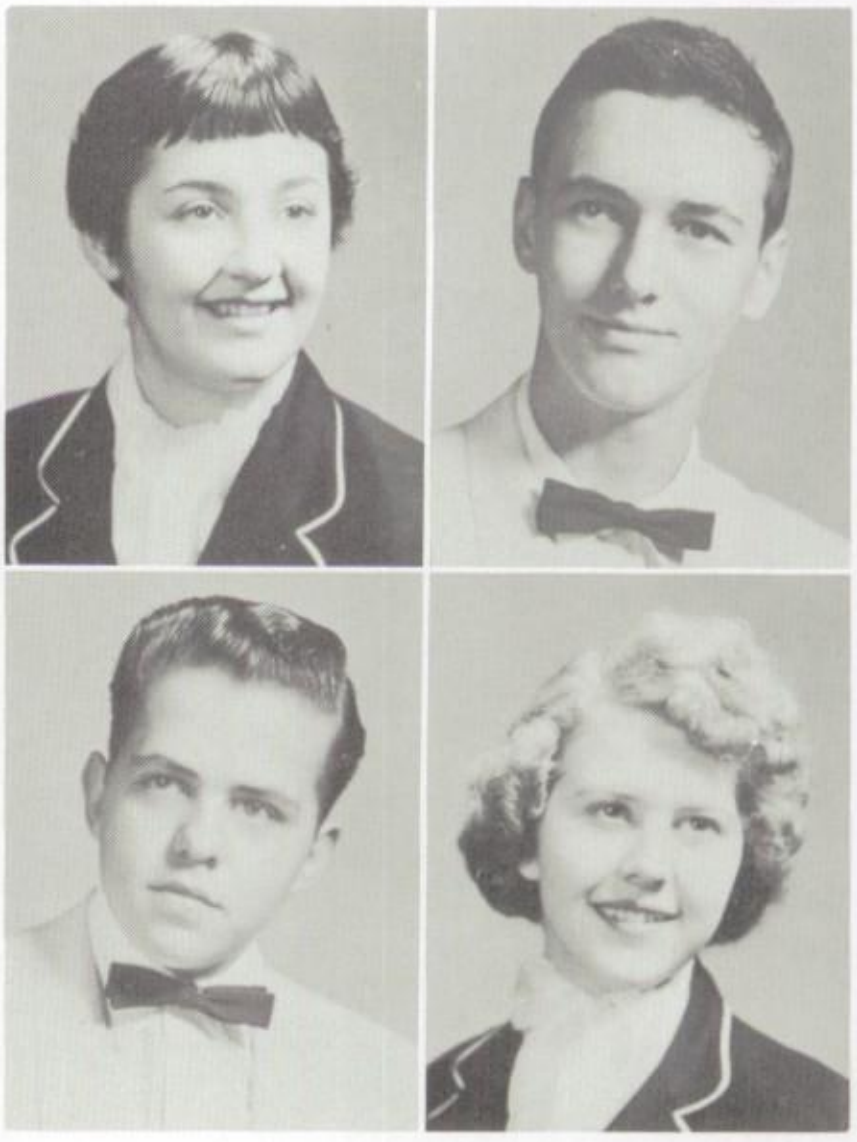
241 North Eleventh Street — St. Paul Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 2-4. Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Majorette: 2-3.

WILLIAM G. BENNETHUM

432 North Tenth Street — St. Paul Parish

# The Class



ROSEMARIE A. BERARDINELLI

7 Walnut Street, Pottstown — St. Aloysius Parish

JOSEPH J. BILGER

543 Moss Street — St. Joseph Parish

Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Track 1.

WILLIAM R. BILLINGER

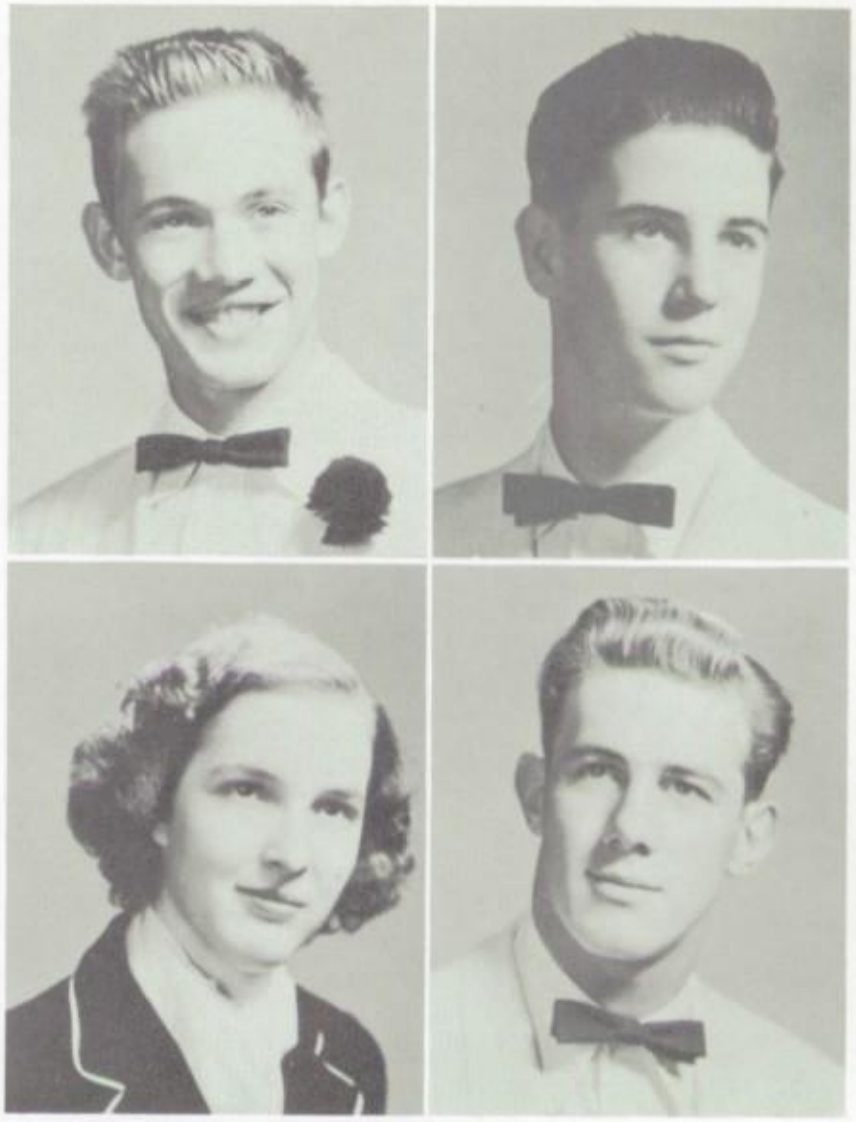
1451-53 Friedensburg Road, Stony Creek Mills

St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Publication: **Hillside Echoes** 3. Music: Band 1-2-3, Orchestra 2-3-4.

IRENE M. BILLMAN

809 Greenwich Street — St. Joseph Parish



DAVID G. BRENEISER

1826 Cotton Street — St. Paul Parish

Honor Student: 2. Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 3-4.

FREDRICK A. BURNS

1241 Perry Street — St. Joseph Parish

PRISCILLA I. BURNS

1030 Cherry Street — St. Peter Parish

Music: Chorus 4.

JOSEPH W. BUTZER

1015 Chestnut Street — St. Paul Parish

Athletics: Varsity Football 3-4, Junior Varsity Basketball 1-2, Varsity Basketball 3-4.

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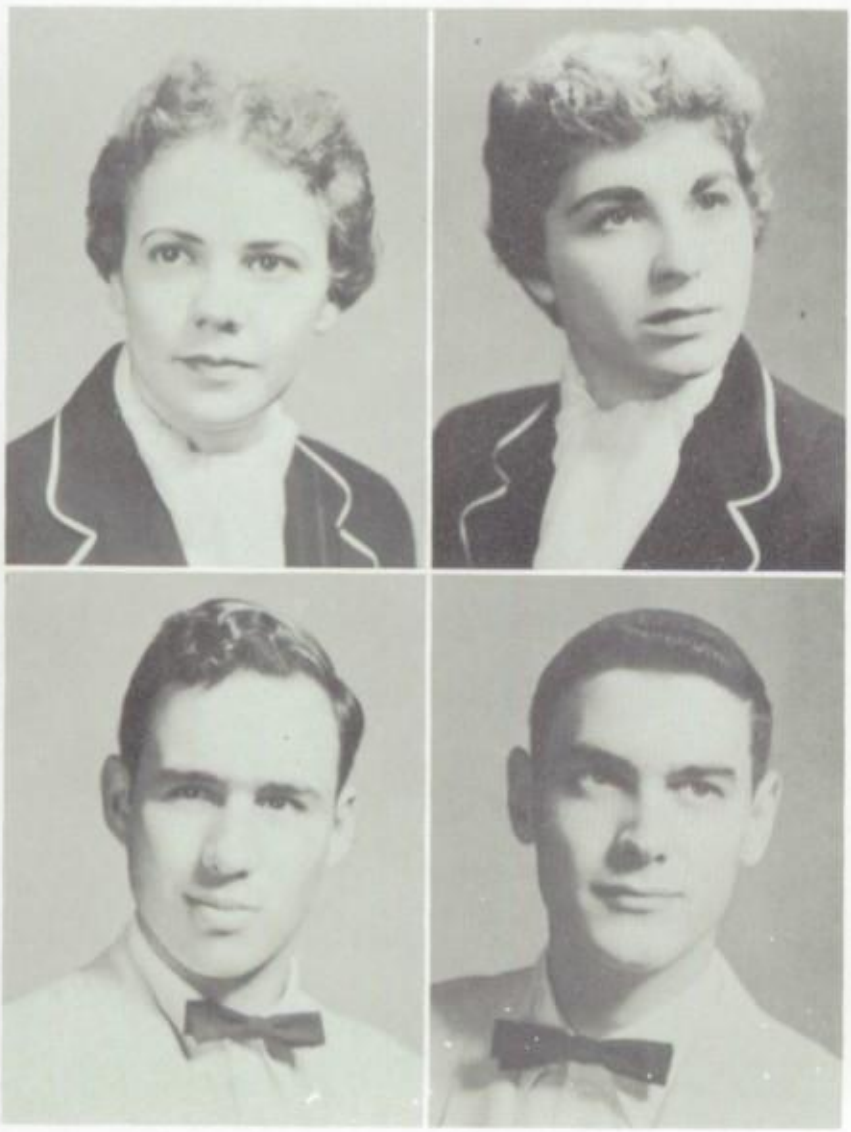


PATRICIA S. CACCESE

1748 Madison Avenue — St. Margaret Parish

Music: Chorus 4. Majorette: 2-3. Majorette Lieutenant: 4.

JOANNA B. CAPPELLA

101 Dayton Street, Phoenixville — St. Mary Parish

JOHN R. CARABELLO

716 Warren Street — St. Margaret Parish

Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 2-3-4, Track 1-2-3-4.

JOHN T. CHRISTEL

105 Park Road, Wyomissing — Sacred Heart Parish

Student Association: Treasurer 4. Publication: **Centralma** 3. Debate Club: 4.

FRANCES C. CICHOWICZ
1024 Muhlenberg Street — St. Mary Parish
Music: Chorus 3-4. Majorette: 3. Majorette Sergeant: 4. Color Guard: 2.

GERALDINE M. CIVITA
305 Butter Lane, Mt. Penn — St. Catharine of Siena Parish
Publication: **Hillside Echoes** 4, **The Little Echo** 4. Music: Chorus 4. Cheerleader: 2-3-4.

**thanks,** **You,**

MICHAEL F. CONLON
1244 Carbon Street — St. Margaret Parish
Publications: **Hillside Echoes** 3. Debate Club: 4. Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 2, Junior Varsity Football 2, Football Manager 1.

ROCCO J. COTELLESE, JR.
220 South Street, Pottstown — St. Aloysius Parish
Music: Band 1.

ANNAKAY CRAWFORD
135 East Lancaster Avenue, Shillington
St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish
Honor Student: 3-4. Music: Chorus 2-3-4, Bel-Tones 2-3-4.

ROSEMARY CRAWFORD
135 East Lancaster Avenue, Shillington
St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish
Honor Student: 3-4. Music: Chorus 2-3-4, Bel-Tones 2-3-4.

JAMES P. CURTIN
105 Buttonwood Street — St. Margaret Parish
Athletics: Varsity Football 2-3-4.

ALICE M. DALY
1213 North Thirteenth Street — St. Joseph Parish
Honor Student: 2. Music: Orchestra 1. Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 1, Varsity Basketball 2-3-4.

CONSTANCE M. DALY

1324 Dauphin Avenue, Wyomissing — Sacred Heart Parish

Publications: **Hillside Echoes** 2-3-4. Music: Chorus 4.

MARY ELLEN DALY

1213 North Thirteenth Street — St. Joseph Parish

Music: Chorus 3-4.

CAROL E. DEASE

356 North Eleventh Street — St. Paul Parish

Student Association: Representative 2-3, Council Member 4. Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Publications: **Centralma** 4.

HELEN M. DERBY

Royersford, R. D. No. 1 — St. Eleanor Parish, Collegeville

JOSEPHINE A. DEVERA

314 Miller Street — St. Mary Parish

JOHN T. DIDYOUNG

424 Pennsylvania Avenue, Hyde Park — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

Music: Band 1-2-3-4. Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football **2-3-4.**

**dear** ♦ ♦ **Lord,**

THOMAS L. DOOLEY

515 Windsor Street — St. Margaret Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 1. Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 2-3-4.

CLAUDIA I. DOYLE

Reading, R. D. No. 4 — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Honor Student: 2. Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4.

ROBERT M. DREIBELBIS

520 South 15½ Street — St. Paul Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Publications: **Hillside Echoes** 4. Music: Band 1. Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 1, Varsity Basketball 2-3-4.

JUDITH A. DUTTON

32 East Fourth Street, Pottstown — St. Aloysius Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3. Publications: **Hillside Echoes** 2-3-4.

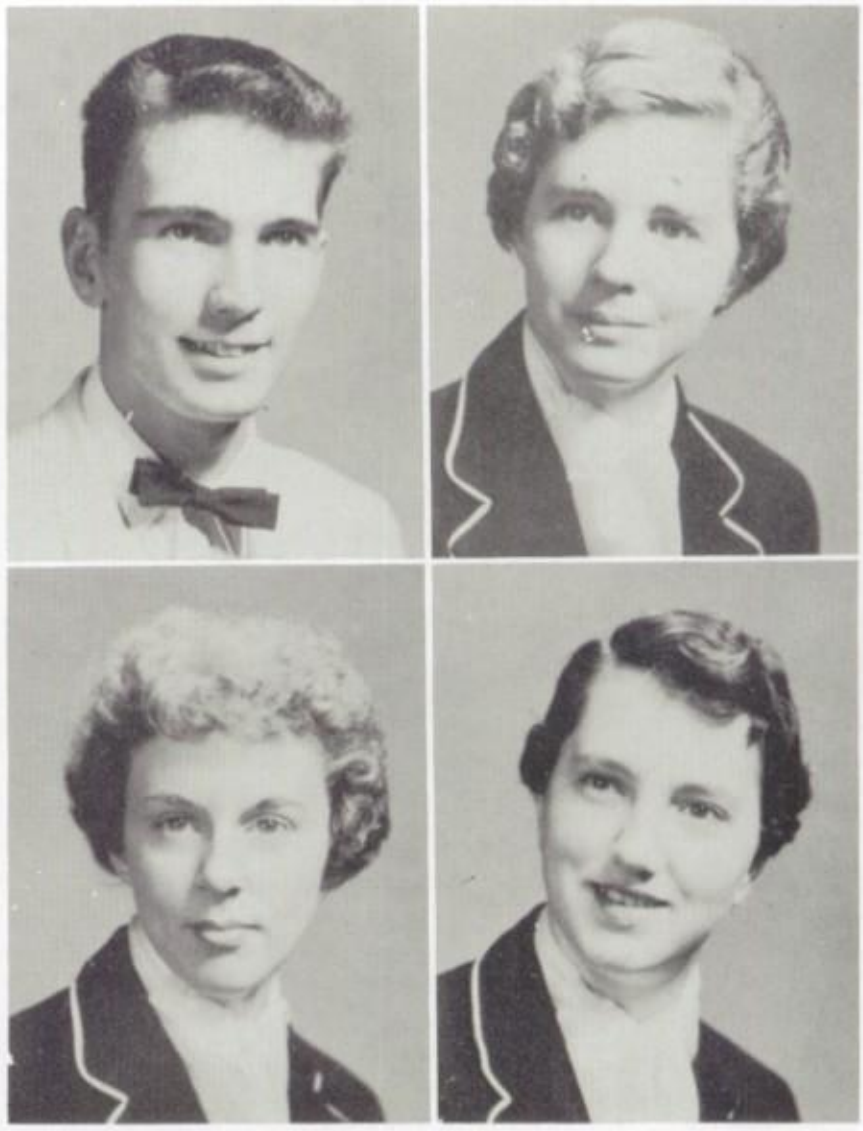
MARY THERESA EAGEN

1411 Salina Street, Laureldale — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

BARBARA A. ENDLER

Reinholds, R. D. No. 1 — Sacred Heart Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Publications: **Hillside Echoes** 2-3-4. Music: Chorus 2-3.



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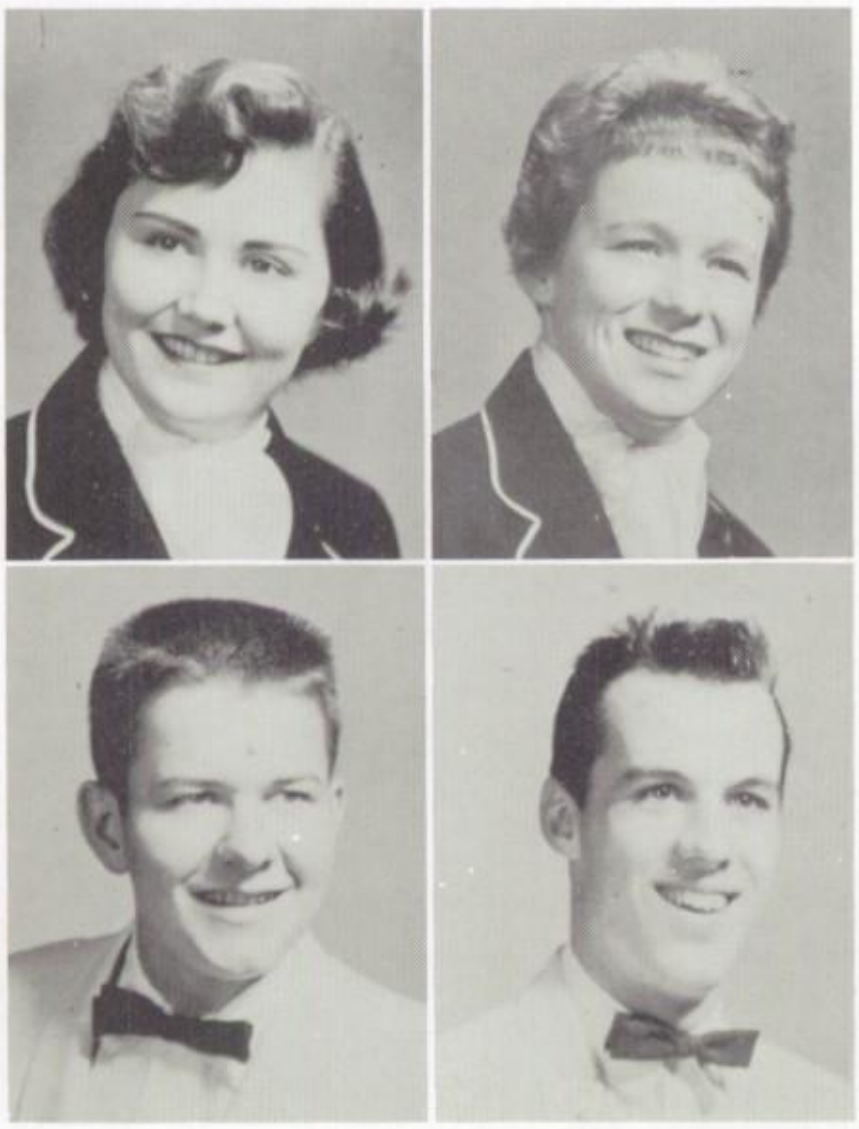

BARBARA A. ESSER

341 South Eighth Street

Cheerleader: 2.

DOROTHY R. ESSIG

Reading, R. D. No. 3 — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3. Music: Band 2-3-4. Cheerleader: 2-3.

GERALD D. EVANS

329 South Wyomissing Avenue, Shillington

St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish

WILLIAM J. FALLER

635 North Thirteenth Street — St. Paul Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 1-3. Athletics: Track 1-2-3-4, Freshman Football 1.

ANNE M. FARRELL

Post Office Box 5, Zieglersville — St. Mary Parish, Delphi
Honor Student: 1.

THOMAS G. FAUST

539 North Tenth Street — St. Paul Parish
Student Association: Council Member 4. Music: Band 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 4. Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 2-3-4, Varsity Basketball 3-4, Track 1-2-3-4.

CARL E. FEICHT

1021 Buttonwood Street — St. Paul Parish

PAUL J. FIRING

Pottstown, R. D. #18 — St. Aloysius Parish
Music: Band 1.

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ROBERT J. FLANAGAN

1114 North Thirteenth Street — St. Joseph Parish
Honor Student: 1-2. Music: Band 1-2.

THOMAS H. FLANNERY

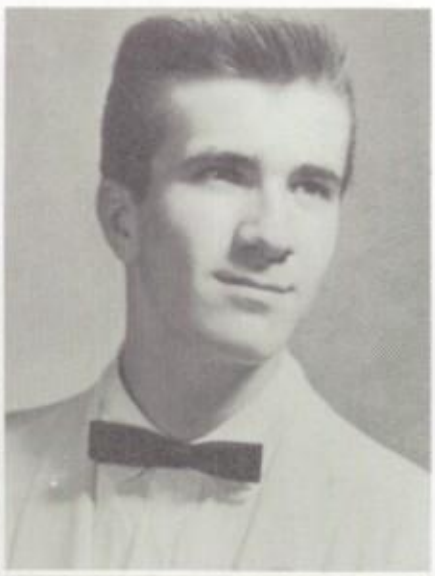
1250 Hill Road — St. Peter Parish
Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Football Manager 3.

GREGORY F. FLEMMING

1042 Green Street — St. Paul Parish
Music: Band 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 3-4. Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 2.

PATRICIA A. FORDYCE

617 Carsonia Avenue, Pennside — St. Catharine of Siena Parish
Color Guard: 2-3. Color Corporal: 4.



# each test and quiz

ANN MARIE FRANEY

951 North Ninth Street — St. Joseph Parish

Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4.

JOHN L. FRANK

1039 North Twelfth Street — St. Joseph Parish

Student Association: Representative 4.

MARY ANNE T. FREEBURN

726 Reading Avenue, West Reading — Sacred Heart Parish

Music: Band 2.

GEORGE H. GANTERT

450 North Eleventh Street — St. Paul Parish

PATRICIA E. GLEMBLOCKI

23 Trebor Place, Wyomissing — Sacred Heart Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 2, Representative 3, Vice-President 4. Honor Student: 1-2-3-4.

BARBARA A. GONCHER

310 Summit Avenue — S.S. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Publications: Hillside Echoes 4.

CARMELA A. GUIDARA

802 Chestnut Street — Holy Rosary Parish

Music: Chorus 2-3-4.

PATRICIA P. GUSAVAGE

2558 Perkiomen Avenue — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Music: Chorus 2-3-4.

BERNARDINE M. GUTHIER

522 South Ninth Street — SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish

CHARLES A. HAAGE

1049 North Ninth Street — St. Joseph Parish

Student Association: Representative 2, Council Member 3, Corresponding Secretary 4. Honor Student: 1-2-3. Publications: Centralma 4. Music: Chorus 4.

WINIFRED A. HALLMAN

431 Pine Street — St. Peter Parish

Music: Chorus 4. Majorette: 2.

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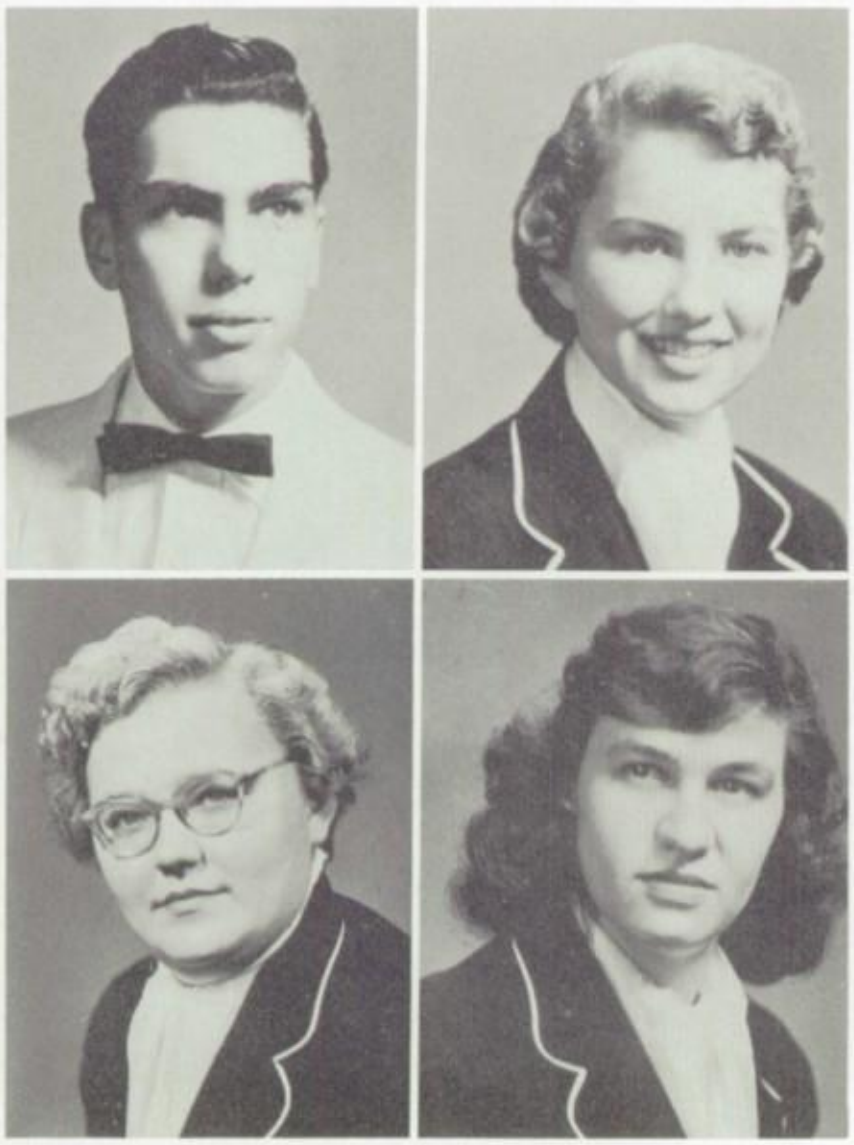

ROBERT F. HENNESSEY

1042 Schuylkill Road, Pottstown — St. Aloysius Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-4. Music: Band 1.

BARBARA A. HENRICH

1159 Church Street — St. Margaret Parish

Student Association: Representative 1, Associate Representative 3. Honor Student: 2-3-4. Music: Band 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 1-2-3-4.

PATRICIA A. HERB

Reading, R. D. #1 — St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish

Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 1, Varsity Basketball 2.

JACQUELINE F. HERNANDEZ

1021 North Ninth Street — St. Joseph Parish

Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4, Chorus 4.

DAVID J. HOHL

138 Clymer Street — St. Paul Parish

Honor Student: 2-4. Athletics: Track 1-3.

ROBERT J. HOLLAND

218 East Penn Avenue, Wernersville — Sacred Heart Parish

# honor cards · · felt letters

THOMAS G. IMPINK

403 North Tenth Street — St. Paul Parish

Athletics: Football Manager 3-4.

EDWARD T. JABLONSKI

427 South Eleventh Street — St. Mary Parish

Athletics: Baseball 1-2-3-4, Varsity Basketball 1-2-3-4, Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 2-3-4.

THERESA P. JENDRZEJEWSKI

1368 Perkiomen Avenue — St. Mary Parish

SUZANNE J. KANE

229 Revere Boulevard, Lincoln Park — St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish

Music: Chorus 4.

WILLIAM R. KASE

719 Mulberry Street — St. Joseph Parish

Student Association: Representative 1. Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 1-2, Varsity Basketball 3-4, Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 2-3-4.

LAWRENCE F. KERBER

145 North Eighth Street — St. Paul Parish

FLORENCE R. KIEDEISCH

Reading, R. D. #4 — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

PATRICIA R. KILLINGER

935 Robeson Street — St. Joseph Parish

Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4, Chorus 2-3-4.

JOAN A. KOGUT

1156 Spruce Street — St. Mary Parish

Student Association: Representative 4. Honor Student: 1-3-4. Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4. Music: Chorus 2-3-4, Bel-Tones 2-3-4.

MADELEINE A. KOREN

1726 Fairview Street — SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Honor Student:3.

ELIZABETH A. KOZLAY

135-A South Tenth Street — SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Honor Student 2-3-4. Publications: Hillside Echoes 2-3-4. Music: Band 2-3-4, Orchestra 2-3-4, Chorus 2-3-4.

RAYMOND D. KRASINSKI

329 High Street, Phoenixville — Holy Trinity Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3.

**class rings** . . **and hats**

ALBERT P. KRUSZEWSKI

328 South Thirteenth Street — St. Mary Parish

Athletics: Varsity Track 3.

BARBARA J. KULCHINSKY

1974 Woodvale Avenue, Mt. Penn — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3.

MARY LOUISE KUNTZ

436 Pine Street — St. Peter Parish
Music: Band 1-2-3.

CELESTE A. KUSHMORE

408 Freidensburg Road, Mt. Penn — St. Catharine of Siena Parish
Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4.

PATRICIA A. LEITHAM

1335 Locust Street — St. Joseph Parish
Honor Student: 2. Music: Chorus 3-4.

ALBERT C. LELLIG

1973 Woodvale Avenue, Mt. Penn — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

# winning teams

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DONALD E. LINETTE

1305 North Twelfth Street — St. Joseph Parish
Athletics: Interclass Track 3-4, Varsity Track 3-4.

NANCY E. LOUGHNEY

Wilson and Mt. Vernon Streets, Pottstown — St. Aloysius Parish
Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Publications: Hillside Echoes 2-3-4. Music: Chorus 3-4.

TERRENCE P. McDEVITT

11 North Twenty-Third Street, Mt. Penn — St. Catharine of Siena Parish
Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Athletics: Freshman Football 1.

HELEN T. McFADDEN

1220 Green Street — St. Peter Parish
Music: Chorus 2-3-4.

MARY ELLEN McFADDEN

422 Oak Terrace, West Reading — Sacred Heart Parish

Athletics: Varsity Basketball 2-3-4.

JOHN F. McGOEY

33 South Twenty-Fourth Street, Mt. Penn — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 2.

BARBARA D. McKEONE

702 Carsonia Avenue, Pennside — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 2, Council Member 3-4. Honor Student: 1-2-4. Publications: Hillside Echoes 2-3-4. Music: Chorus 3-4, Bel-Tones 3-4.

JOSEPH L. McLAUGHLIN

524 South Fifteenth Street — St. Peter Parish

Student Association: Representative 3. Honor Student 2-3-4. Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4. Athletics: Baseball 2-3-4.

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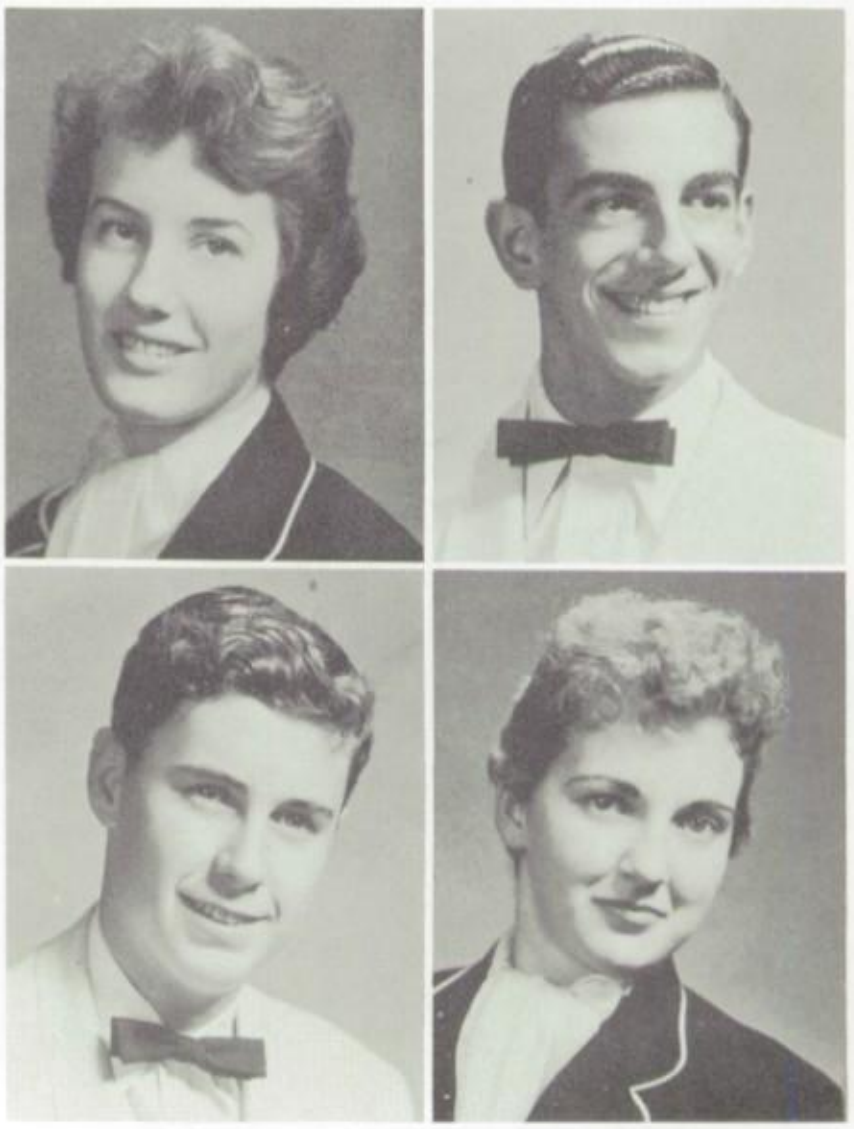

KATHLEEN A. MALRIAT

1020 Church Street — St. Margaret Parish

Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4. Music: Band 2-3-4, Orchestra 1-2-3-4.

FRANK J. MASCIRELLA

311 Chestnut Street — Holy Rosary Parish

Music: Band 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 3-4. Athletics: Baseball 2, Track 4.

MICHAEL G. MATUS

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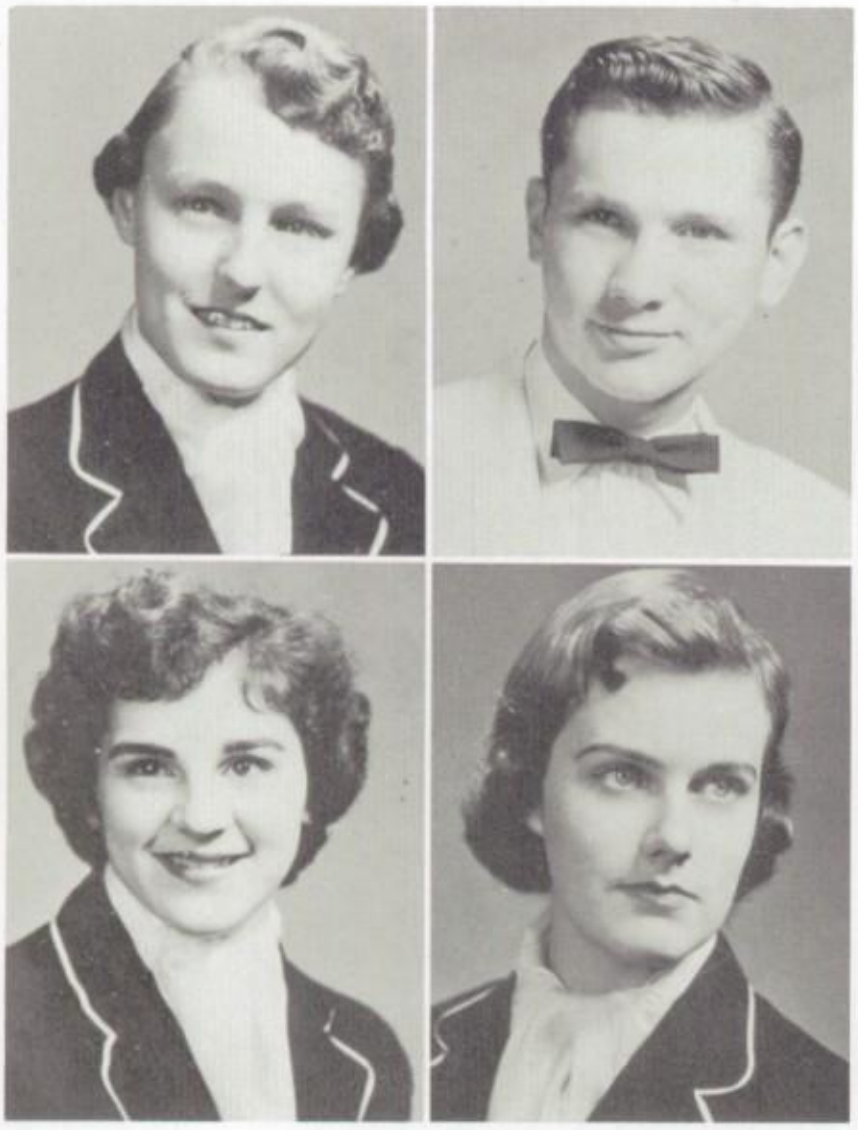
BARBARA A. MATUSZAK

1108 Spruce Street — St. Mary Parish

Music: Chorus 3-4.



MONICA M. MAZURKIEWICZ

1222 Spruce Street — St. Mary Parish

Student Association: Representative 2, Council Member 4. Honor Student: 2-3. Music: Bel-Tones 4, Chorus 4.

J. BARRY MELCHER

936 Franklin Street, Wyomissing — Sacred Heart Parish

Debate Club: 4. Athletics: Varsity Football 3.

THELMA O. MORGANTI

4250 Eighth Avenue, Temple — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4, Band 2-3-4.

MARY ANN MULLEN

1238 Eckert Avenue — St. Peter Parish

Music: Chorus 3-4.

# Freshman Day

PATRICIA A. MULLIGAN

467 Birch Street — St. Paul Parish

Music: Chorus 2-4.

JAMES C. NAWA

3250 Harrison Avenue, Muhlenburg Park — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

Athletics: Baseball 2.

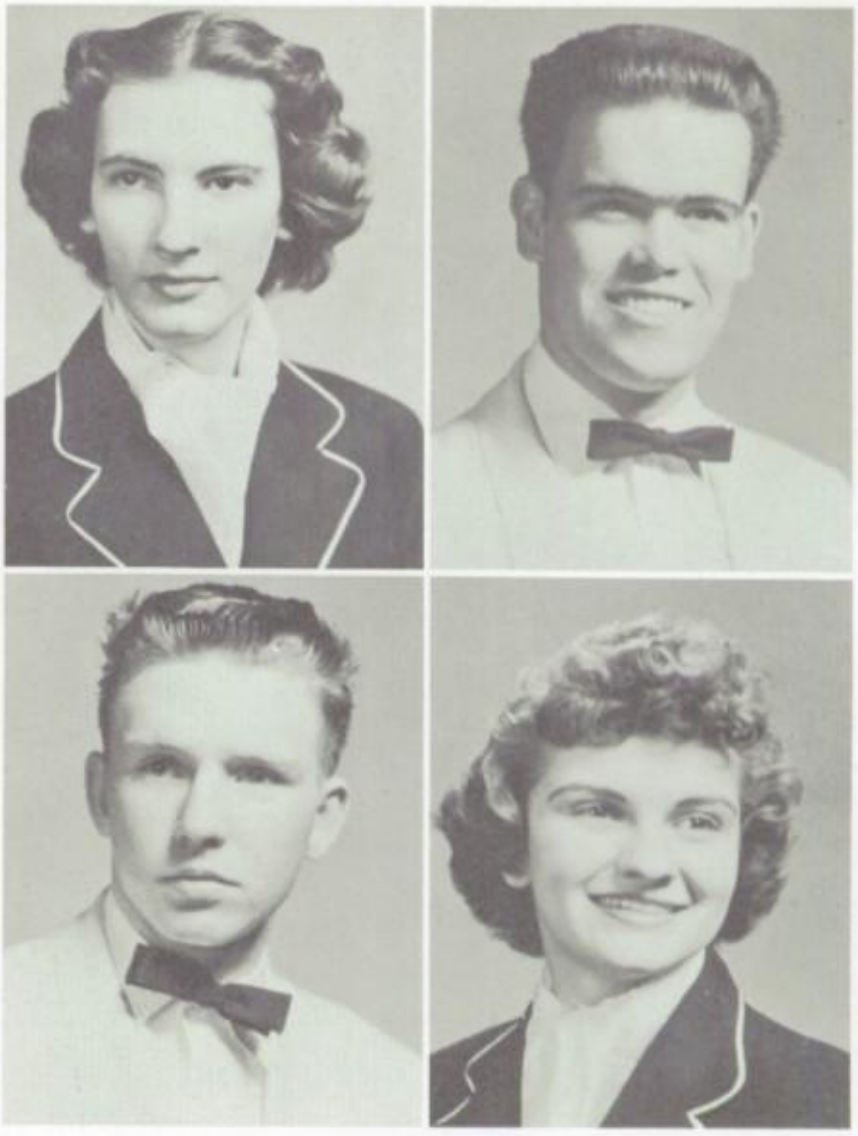
ELIZABETH R. NEIMAN

423 Birch Street — St. Paul Parish

Cheerleader: 2.

ELIZABETH A. NOBLE

Mount Laurel Avenue, Temple — Holy Guardian Angels Parish



CYNTHIA E. NOLL

141 South Ninth Street — St. Paul Parish

LAWRENCE W. NORMAN

912 Pear Street — St. Margaret Parish

Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 2-3-4.

CORNELIUS J. O'BRIEN

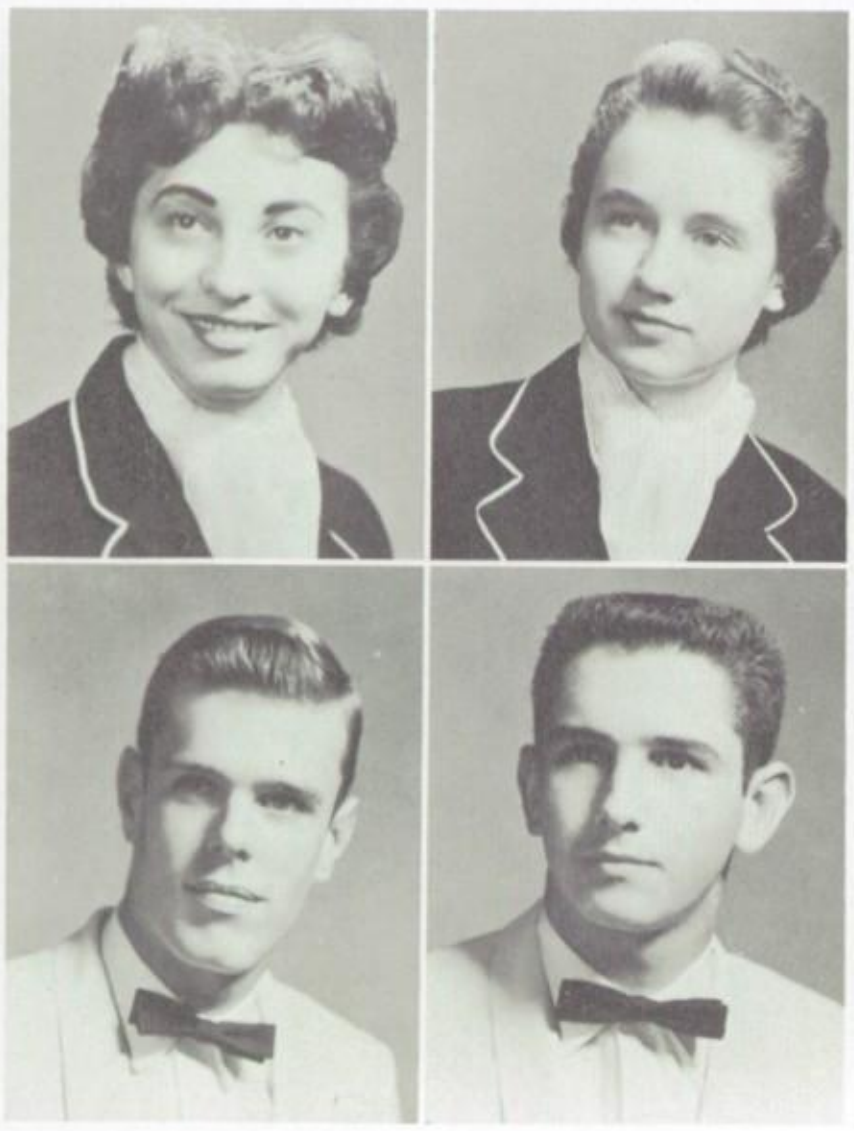
927 North Ninth Street — St. Joseph Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 3-4.

ELIZABETH M. OUDINOT

927 Robeson Street — St. Joseph Parish

Music: Chorus 3.



# doggie roasts

ANGELA R. PIZZUTELLI

733 Columbia Avenue, Temple — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

Honor Student: 2-3-4.

CONSTANCE R. POPP

1027 Washington Street — St. Paul Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4.

C. BRANDT POST

1174 Garfield Avenue, Wyomissing — Sacred Heart Parish

Music: Band 1. Athletics: Varsity Football 2-3-4, Baseball 2, Track 3.

ROBERT F. POULESON

1126 Church Street — St. Margaret Parish

Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Varsity Football 4, Junior Varsity Basketball 1.

JAMES F. POWERS

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MARGARET K. PURCELL

1421 Van Steffy Avenue, Wyomissing — Sacred Heart Parish

Honor Student: 1. Music: Chorus 4. Cheerleader: 3-4.

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910 Pear Street — St. Margaret Parish

Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4. Athletics: Basketball Manager 1-2-3-4.

JEANETTE M. REBER

Reading, R. D. #2 — St. Paul Parish

Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 2.

FRANCES H. RICHARDS

1332 Good Street — St. Paul Parish

Music: Chorus 2-3-4.

MARY ANN ROCKTASHEL

315 West Oley Street — St. Margaret Parish

Music: Chorus 2-3-4.

THERESA M. ROMANOVIC

346 Pine Street — SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4. Music: Chorus 4.

MARY ANN ROTUNDO

140 Morgantown Road — Holy Rosary Parish

Publications: Hillside Echoes 3-4. Music: Bel-Tones 2-3-4.

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1145 Beaumont Avenue, Temple — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 3, Council Member 4.

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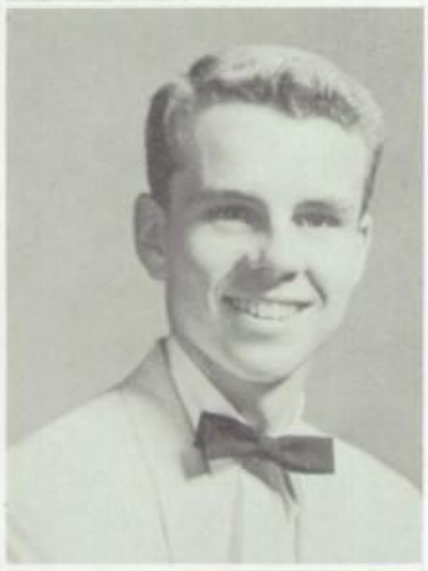
913 Brighton Avenue, Pennside — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Music: Chorus 1-2-3-4, Bel-Tones 3-4.



JAMES F. SCHERER

205 Mayer Avenue, Pennside — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Publications: Centralma 4. Athletics: Track 1.

JOHN F. SCHOLL

2262 Downing Street — St. Margaret Parish

Music: Chorus 2-3, Band 1-2. Athletics: Baseball 2.

JUDITH E. SCHMIDT

542 Moss Street — St. Paul Parish

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844 Locust Street — St. Joseph Parish

EDWARD J. SENKOWSKI

1852 Perkiomen Avenue — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Student Association: Representative 3, Council Member 4. Publications: Centralma 3-4. Music: Band 2-3-4, Orchestra 4, Chorus 3-4. Athletics: Baseball 1-2-3-4.

MARY LOU SEYFERT

124 Jefferson Street — St. Peter Parish

Student Association: Representative 4. Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Music: Chorus 2-4. Majorette: 2-3. Majorette Captain: 4.

GEORGE M. SKUCZAS

727 South Seventeenth Street — St. Anthony Parish

Athletics: Junior Varsity Basketball 2, Varsity Basketball 3-4.

PAUL A. SLAPIKAS

1612 North Eleventh Street — St. Paul Parish

Athletics: Freshman Football 1, Baseball Manager 1-2, Track 3-4, Basketball 4.

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923 Spruce Street — St. Mary Parish

Publications: Centralma 4. Music: Chorus 2-4.

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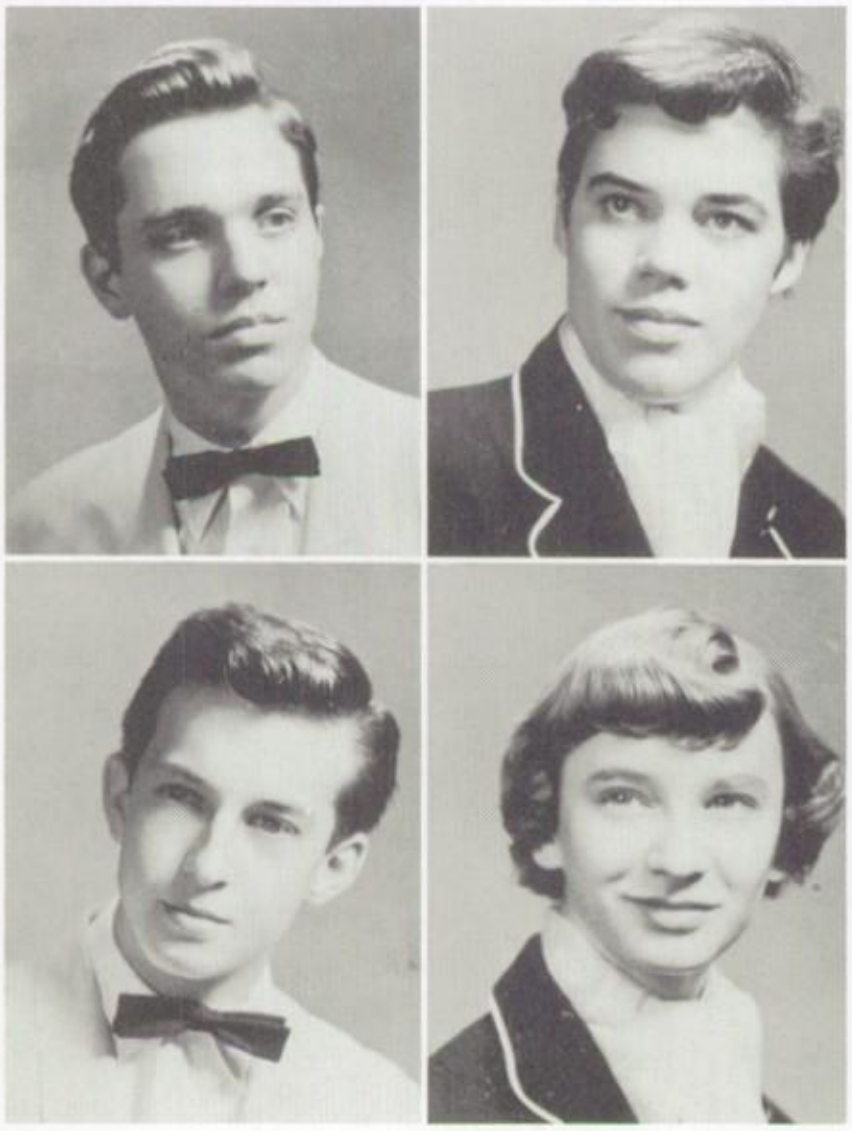

GERALD L. SMITH

315 Moss Street — St. Paul Parish

MARY ELLEN SMITH

314 Dorchester Avenue, Lincoln Park — St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish

Music: Chorus 2-4. Color Guard: 3-4.

MICHAEL J. SOSH

647 Pine Street — SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Athletics: Baseball 2-3-4.

CAROLINE A. SPIEGEL

1038 Walnut Street — St. Paul Parish

LOUIS E. STESLOW

817 Church Street — St. Margaret Parish

Music: Glee Club 1-2-3. Athletics: Varsity Football 1-2-3-4, Varsity Basketball 3.

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PAULINE H. STRAKA

226 South Tenth Street — SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish

JAMES F. STRUBLE

203 Fritztown Road, Lincoln Park — St. John Baptist de LaSalle Parish

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263 Linden Street — St. Paul Parish

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ROSEMARIE D. SUGLIA

424 Hazel Street — Holy Rosary Parish

Honor Student: 2. Publications: Hillside Echoes 2-3-4. Music: Chorus 4.

FRANCIS S. SWIENCKOWSKI

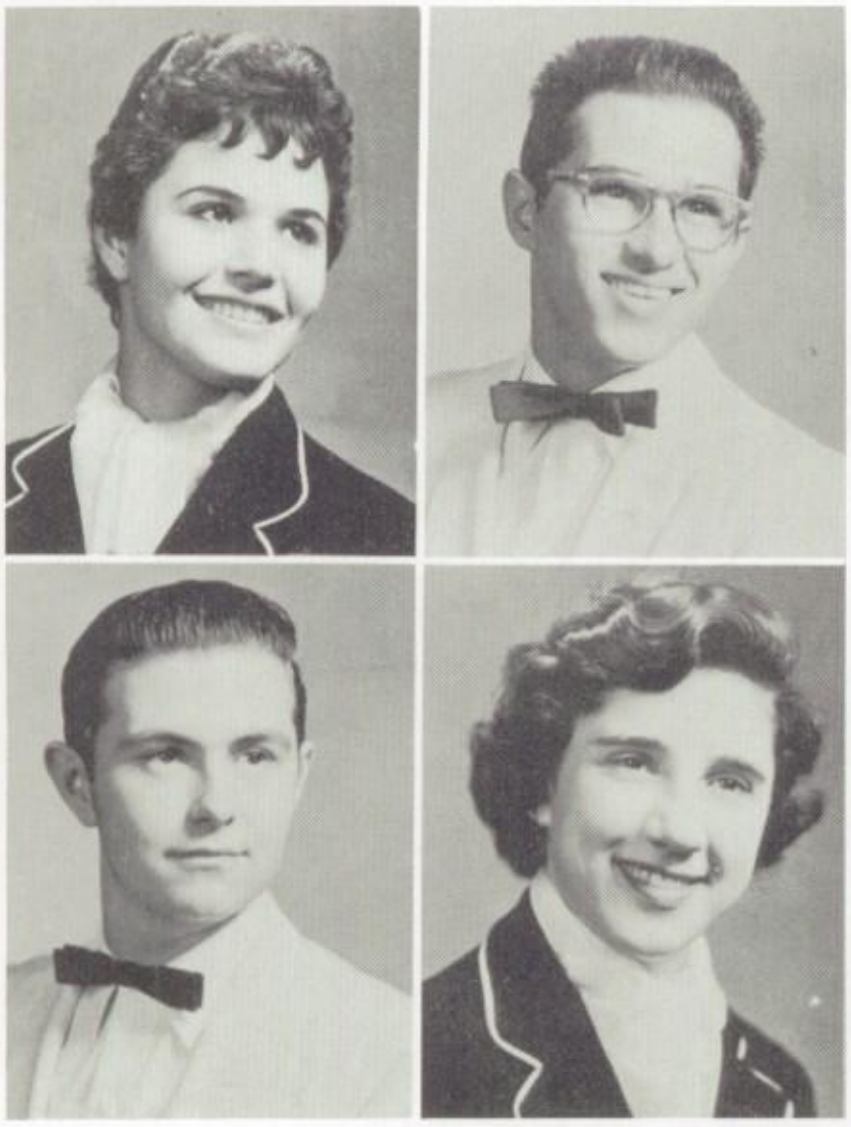
3501 Woodland Avenue — St. Catharine of Siena Parish

Student Association: Associate Representative 4. Publications: Centralma 3-4. Debate Club: 4. Music: Chorus 3-4, Band 3-4.

JOHN F. SWIEZAK

1028 Muhlenberg Street — St. Mary Parish

Publications: The Little Echo 4.



GEORGENE A. TEMPLIN

1204 North Front Street — St. Margaret Parish

Music: Chorus 2-4.

RAYMOND W. TESSIER

5307 Allentown Pike, Temple — St. Paul Parish

Athletics: Football Manager 3.

FRANCIS J. TOYE

345 Windsor Street — St. Margaret Parish

Music: Band 1. Athletics: Intramural Basketball 3.

LORRAINE C. UCZYNSKI

320 South Twelfth Street — St. Mary Parish

Honor Student: 1-2-3. Publications: Hillside Echoes 4.

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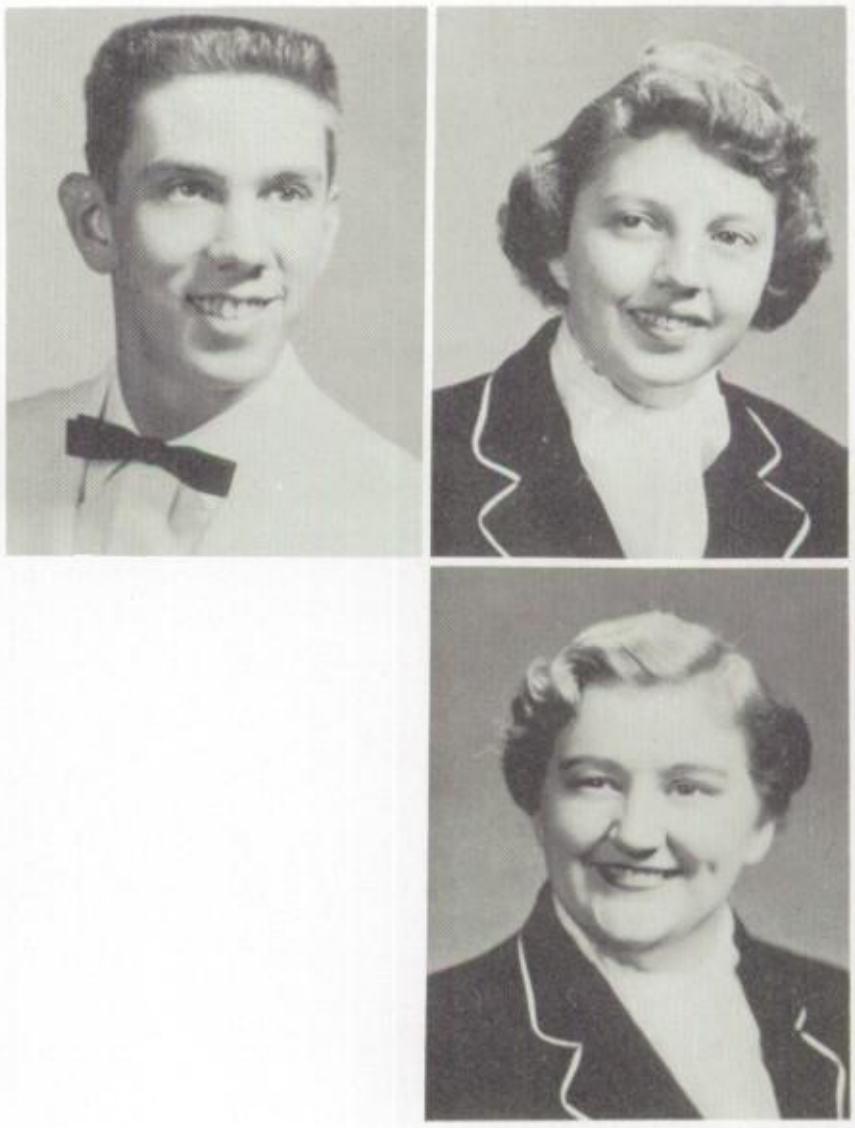

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2232 Raymond Avenue — Holy Guardian Angels Parish

Music: Band 1-2-3, Orchestra 3, Chorus 3-4.

GERALDINE M. WEISS

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Honor Student: 3. Publications: Hillside Echoes 4. Music: Chorus 2-3-4, Band 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 4, Bel-Tones 4.

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Honor Student: 1-2-3-4. Publications: Centralma 4. Music: Orchestra 1-2-3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4, Bel-Tones 2-3-4. Majorette: 2-3. Drum Major 4.

# The Memories

The smooth mosaic of school activities reflects grad and underclassmen in a sparkling harmonious whole. Want a doggie? It's a little charred and crisp, but the gaiety and laughter is a good relish.

Swishing skirts, lilting music, swaying bodies—around and around we go to the rhythm of proms with gay lights, beating hearts. Here we climb on the rungs of friendship to a happier life. Perhaps our pockets were not capacious enough for a Dior or Schiaparelli model, but the warm intimacy created by the chatter over the fashion show lifted us a grade on clothes selection.

Queen of the Angels, Our Lady smiled upon her flowering May court and gently drew our eyes and hearts to a better world.

# We'll Cherish Most

Standing by his favorite plane at Reading Municipal Airport Robert Pouleson watches a TWA plane taxi down the runway.

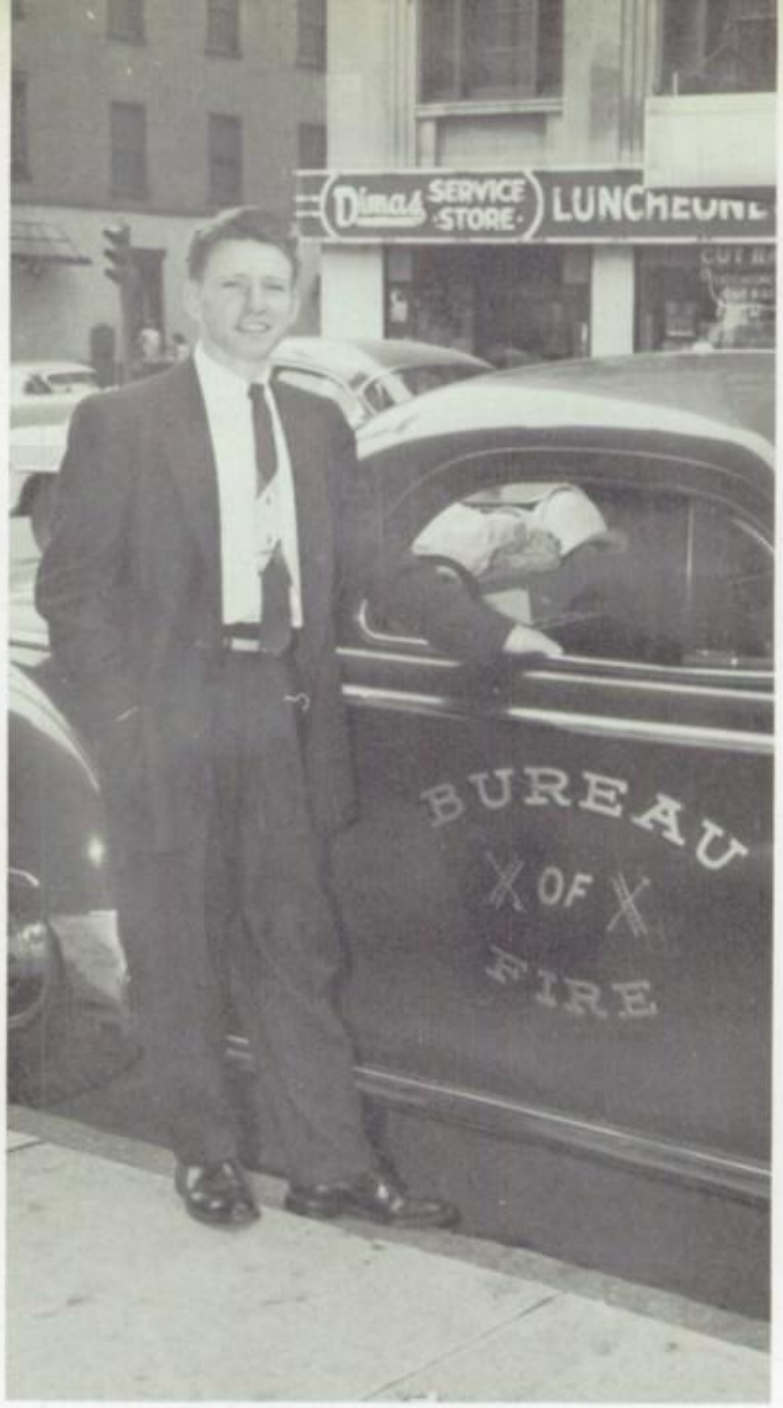
"Just window shopping", say C. Dease, Director of Nurses and B. McKeone, Superintendent of St. Joseph's Hospital.

Puffing on an El Ropo relaxes acting principal C. Haage.

# High and Mighty

Observing Youth Day on April 28, the Council of Civic Clubs invited seventeen Centralites to fill County offices.

Benjamin Ambrose—Councilman
Robert Wright—City Clerk
William Kase—Captain of Detectives
Michael Conlon—City Engineer
Robert Pouleson—Airport Superintendent
Reading municipal Airport
Cornelius O'Brien—Assistant Fire Chief
Robert Dreibelbis—Superintendent of Recreation
Carol Dease—Director of Nurses
St. Joseph's Hospital
Barbara McKeone—Superintendent
St. Joseph's Hospital
William Billinger—Director, Berks County Board of Assistance
Valerie Zimmerman—Secretary, Reading Tuberculosis Asso.
Nancy Loughney—Secretary, Berks County Association for the Blind
Edward Senkowski—Manager
Employment Service
Francis Urban—Postmaster (Speaker)
Charles Haage—Principal, Central Catholic High School
Michael Sosh—Secretary of the Merchants' Division of Chamber of Commerce
James Scherer—Manager WRAW Radio




Assistant Fire Chief O'Brien fiddles while he waits for Rome to burn.

Big shots gather for lunch at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel to talk over troubles.

**CENTRALMA** staff representative James Scherer extends congratulations to David Klemmer, Grand Prize Winner, from Reading High School. David captured the prize for his "Anatomy of Snakes."

For their model of a Caisson, Alice Daly and Katherine Aschenbrenner rated second place ribbons.

Happy after a victorious day are Centralites who stole the show by winning over half the prizes. First Row: V. Zimmerman, H. Stumhofer, C. Dease, K. Aschenbrenner, A. Daly, B. Henrich R. Suglia. Second Row: J. Manzolillo, J. Janiszewski, M. Drexler, M. Horrigan, M. Yahner, S. Styer, R. Rick, R. Young, B. Drexler. Third Row: M. Boland, M. Zimmerman, E. Salvatore, D. Soderlund, J. Gyomber, A. Arnold, R. Winters. Top Row: J. Braun, M. Conlon, M. Killinger.

Sister Joseph Marie had a field day at the Science Fair. Here Sister adjusts an arc lamp for which her student Joseph Gyomber won a first place medal.

# Hi Fi

Kneeling to get a better view of Matthew Boland's project on "Stalagmites and Stalactites of Subterranean Caverns" are Gloria Sallett and Robert Pouleson.

Thirty-one Centralites won prizes at the third annual Reading-Berks Science Fair held in the ballroom of the Abraham Lincoln Hotel on Friday, April 22.

First Prizes

Joseph Gyomber—Arc Lamp

Mary Drexler and Jeanette Janiszewski—Structure of an Atom

Katherine Aschenbrenner and Alice Daly—Model of a Caisson

Second Prizes

Margaret Yahner—Conservation

Michael Zimmerman—Tesla Coil

John Braun—Four-Cycle Gasoline Engine

Eugene Salvatore and Gregory Seiders—Electrostatic Generator

Helen Stumhofer, Carol Dease, and Valerie Zimmerman —Processing of Petroleum

Peter Kaminski and William Kuhns—Blast Furnace

Suzanne Styer and Rosemary Rick—Soil Testing

Third Prizes

Anthony Arnold—Heat Pump

Michael Conlon and Raymond Winters—Optical Illusion

Joanne Manzolillo and Barbara Drexler—Model Volcano

Honorable Mention

Matthew Boland—Subterranean Caverns

David Soderlund—Detection of Radio-activity

Thomas Faust—Prehistoric Landscape

Michael Killinger—Model of the Golden Gate Bridge

Barbara Henrich and Rosemarie Suglia—Miniature Television Studio

Madeline Horrigan, Rosalie Young, and Barbara Plank—Physical Map of Pennsylvania

Sister Joseph Marie, Sister M. Casimir, and Sister M. Clare supervised the projects of the Central students.

March 4—Eight ex-Centralites representing several graduating classes returned to their Alma Mater with the St. Joseph College Glee Club to serenade the students. W. Harrer, S. Albert, P. Gibilisco, R. Noll, J. McGlinn, B. Hofmann, D. Mc Keone, G. Prendergast, reminisce with Father Leichner after the songfest.

November 24—Elizabeth Kozlay contributes her first place trophy, won at St. Joseph's Marian Year Oratorical Contest, to Father Leichner for the school trophy case. Other winners were F. Swienckowski, eighth place; R. Sagnella, fourth place; J. Christel, third place. Fr. Francis Schulte is the moderator of the Forensic Union.

March 4—High school journalists exchange in's and out's, do's and don'ts of newspaper publications.

# Dateline

March 4—Ten county schools sent representatives to the Annual Press Conference conducted by the yearbook and newspaper staffs. Valerie Zimmerman, chairman of the yearbook section, presides over the discussions.

Sweet memories of the "Night of Golden Dreams."

# Golden Dreams

The magic of music—dreamy music—lifted Juniors out of the weary world of mid-semester examinations and plomped them down on a big white cloud of ballroom fantasia. It was Saturday night, January 22, in the mirror-walled ballroom of the Berkshire Hotel, that Juniors celebrated their annual prom.

They called it a "Night of Dreams" and elected Thomas Prendergast and Lucy Lachina to reign as King and Queen for the evening. Dancing from 9 until 12 to the strains of Whitey Meisky's orchestra, Juniors and their friends built illusive castles against a nautical setting—draped fish nets studded with colored metallic sea horses and other marine life.

Responsible for prom organization were co-chairmen Thomas Prendergast and Lucy Lachina. Ann Hofmann headed the decorations committee, Stanley Bonk had charge of tickets, Carol Lis, publicity; and Joyce Beard, entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Mullen, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Stoebenau, Dr. and Mrs. Steve Hydock, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tyle, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome LaManna, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Trexler, were chaperons for the evening. Faculty members attending the affair were the Rev. Raymond J. Leichner, Principal, the Rev. Joseph J. Fricker, the Rev. Joseph Dickert, the Rev. Francis B. Schulte, the Rev. Robert M. Forst, and Mr. William Abramowicz.

King Thomas Prendergast crowns Queen Lucy Lachina. The junior class elected the couple to reign for the evening.

Resting on the sidelines after a hectic number on the floor are C. Lis, P. Miller, M. Boland, D. Adams, J. Beard, and T. Tucker.

Rock 'n Roll takes over! O'Brien and Swienckowski take a fling at a snappy jitterbug number.

# Royalty and Rhythm

Seniors warbling their last notes as members of the Bel-Tones are J. Kogut, M. Rotundo, E. Kozlay, G. Sallett, B. McKeone, G. Weiss, M. Mazurkiewicz, and R. Crawford.

Booming the bass drum for the band is G. Flemming. Horns are M. Feist and H. Snyder; clarinets, T. Morganti and J. Anderson.

"Fickle-dee-dee" recite members of the verse speaking choir, J. Litwin, T. Rauen, N. Zimmerman, and A. Martin.

CONCERT ORCHESTRA

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|---|---|
| 1. La Folia | Corelli-Sopkin |
| 2. Un Bel Di | G. Puccini |
| 3. Praeludium in E Minor | MacDowell |
| 4. a) The Critic | G. Henderson |
| b) Inscription in the Cathedral of Lubeck Germany | |
| c) Fickle-dee-dee | Contributed |
| 5. The Three Little Pigs | Guy F. Foreman |
| 6. Polka Brilliante | H. Englemann |
| 7. In Old Vienna | Arr. by Paul C. Herfurth |

CHORAL GROUPS

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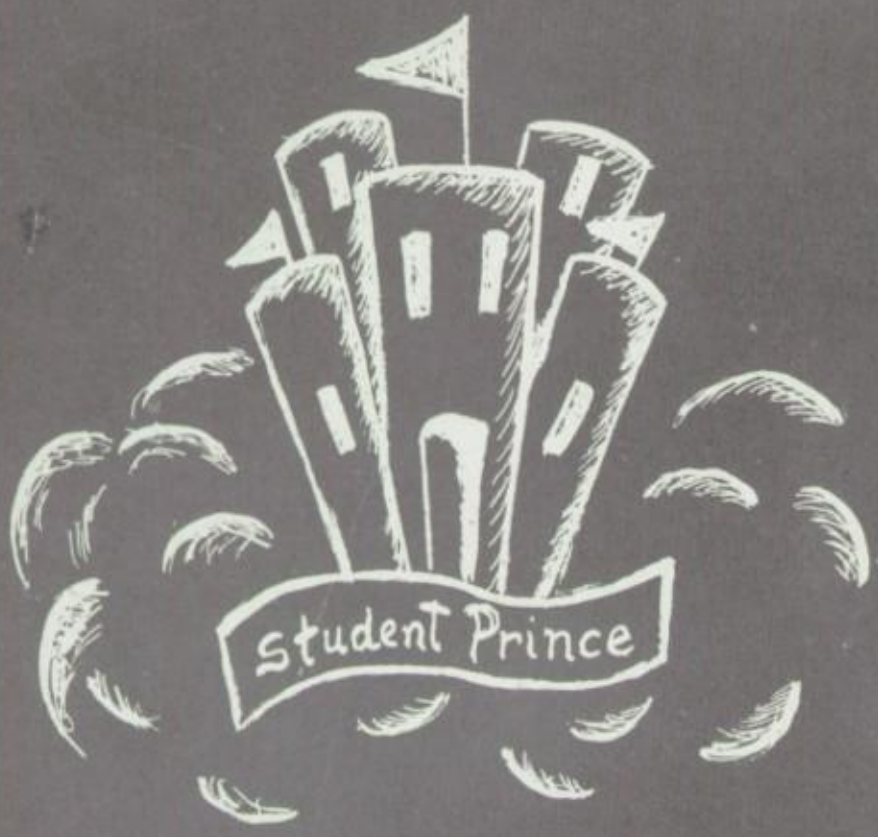
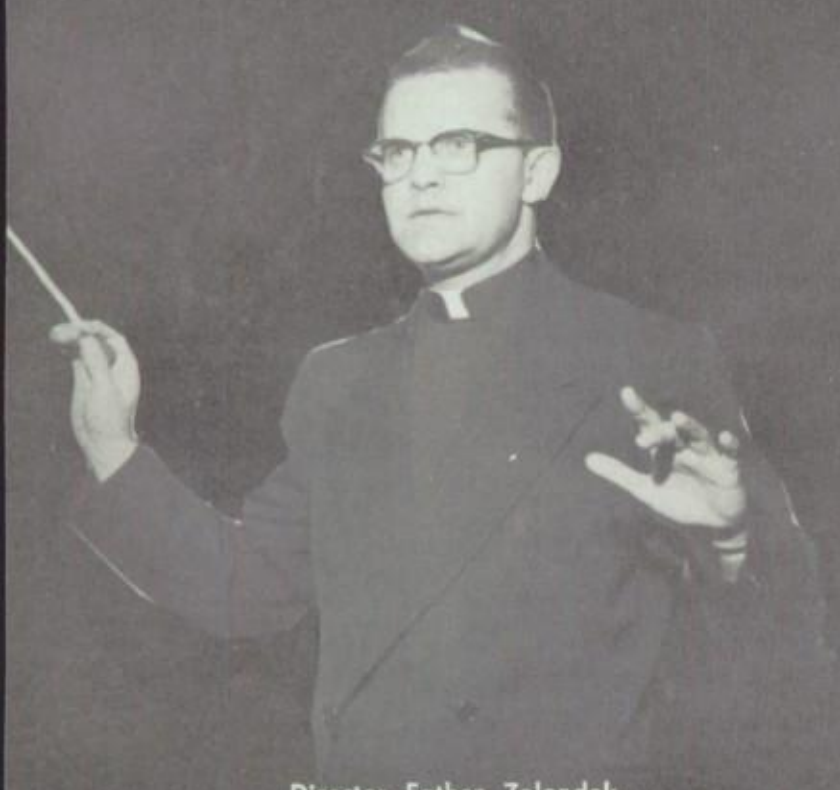
|---|---|
| 1. Ave Maria | Rev. John G. Zolondek |
| 2. My Hero | Oscar Strauss |
| 3. Honey Dat I Love So Well | Harry Freeman |
| 4. The Happy Wanderer | F. W. Moller |
| 5. How Can I Leave Thee | Thuringian Folk Song |
| 6. Cape Cod Chantey | American Sea Chantey |
| 7. Joshua Fit de Battle ob Jericho | Negro Spiritual |
| 8. Davy Crockett | George Bruns |



Director Father Zolondek

"Valderi, valderal" These happy wanderers from the boys chorus are: J. Pfeifer, M. Boland, G. Young, J. Cesarz, J. Braun, A. Arnold, R. Wright, and M. McQuillen.

## CONCERT BAND

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|---|---|
| Alma Mater | |
| 1. Light Cavalry Overture | Franz von Suppe |
| 2. March of the Toys | Victor Herbert |
| 3. King Cotton | John P. Sousa |
| 4. a) Little Boy Blue | Ethelbert Nevin |
| b) My Heart Stood Still | Rodgers-Hart |
| c) Peasant's Dancing Day | Slovak Folk Song |
| 5. The Nutcracker Suite | Tschaikowsky |
| 6. Teddy Bears' Picnic | John Bratton |
| 7. Hands Across the Sea | John P. Sousa |
| 8. The Student Prince | Sigmund Romberg |

Heart of the orchestra, string players include K. Malriat, C. Pentz, A. Franey, and C. Kushmore.

May Queen Katherine Aschenbrenner
crowns Our Lady.

# Crowning Glory

The May Court, followed by the May Queen, line up before their procession to the altar.

The Queen and her Court. First Row: I. Billman, D. Wink, N. Vath, H. Stumhofer, B. McKeone, H. McFadden. Second Row: V. Zimmerman, F. Kiedeisch, N. Loughney, L. Uczynski, C. Popp, D. Essig, B. Esser, C. Cushmore. Third Row: B. Kulchinsky, M. Yahner, B. Endler, K. Aschenbrenner, M. A. Mullen, W. Hallman, J. Hernandez.

Traditional May Crowning ceremonies were held on Friday, May 20, in the school gym. The May Court's twenty senior girls, in pastel evening gowns, carried colonial bouquets which they offered at the feet of Our Lady.

Dressed in a bridal outfit, May Queen Katherine Aschenbrenner crowned Our Blessed Mother with a wreath of gardenias. During the coronation the Bel-tones sang Father Zolondek's "Ave Maria."

Speaker for the occasion was Reverend John J. Ivers, assistant pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, West Reading. The festivities concluded with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Gathered around the Blessed Mother to place their bouquets at her feet are L. Uczynski, B. Kulchinsky, and C. Popp.

Katherine Aschenbrenner
May Queen, 1955

# At this point

At last, we put the book to bed. All there is to do now is to tuck in this last sheet and to fly the envelope to St. Louis. It's very quiet around the yearbook office this afternoon. Val is over in the gym running through a few numbers with the orchestra for Wednesday night's Musicale, and squeezing out her valedictory between the acts. The salutatory has Carol occupied in some corner where she's hugging a letter that confirms her $5,000 scholarship to Notre Dame.

Speaking about letters—a packet has been sticking out of Jimmy's pocket for the past few days too. All we know is that it's from the Bishop of Georgia. The news is bound to break soon. Down in the music department Eddie's waving the baton at his band in a last big rehearsal, while Mary Lou warbles with the chorus. Back in the pharmacy, Frank is trying to compensate for all the hours he left his father alone mixing medicines and Francis is down with Father Schulte practicing his honor speech for graduation. To celebrate the end, Helen's distributing pieces of Dentine to several of her colleagues.

Yes, it's unusually peaceful around here. And as I sit fiddling with my pencil, my thoughts wander back appreciatively to those who have been exceptionally kind to the **CENTRALMA** Staff. I would like to thank Father Leichner for his many favors too numerous to mention, Father Fricker for his sports photographs, Sister M. Roselda for managing the patron drive, Sisters M. Agnita and M. Clare for keeping an accurate account of the money, Sister M. Edna for hints on art, Sister M. Rene and the **HILLSIDE ECHOES** staff for info.

My special thanks, also, to the American Yearbook Company and to Mr. W. Mooney, our local representative, to Loring Studios, to Mr. Steiner of the Smith Cover Company, to Arnold's Book Bindery, to the Hollywood Film Service, to Jack O'Reilly for the dinner jackets and ties, to Mr. Lucia for the sportswear, to the Mrs. R. Summons, J. Daly, W. Smith, H. Zimmerman, and A. Bennett for making the girls' blouses.

It's all over now. Obviously there are shortcomings as there always will be when students fashion a book. This has been **CENTRALMA'S** first experience with offset, and it has presented problems peculiar to that process of printing. But the results of our best efforts are on that plane headed for St. Louis. We hope you'll enjoy reading **CENTRALMA** when it comes back as much as we enjoyed editing it.

No more sessions in the lab, no more late hours in Room 22, no more press conferences, and no more photography tours. We will leave these and everything else connected with the word **CENTRALMA** to Patty Miller and her Junior staff whose trip to Villanova will be the beginning of the 1956 **CENTRALMA**.

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